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SRH clinch 5-wicket victory over CSK in Chepauk

In the high-stakes 63rd match of IPL 2026 at Chepauk, Sunrisers Hyderabad clinched a crucial 5-wicket victory over the Chennai Super Kings. Batting first, Chennai posted 180/7 in their 20 overs, powered by a steady 44 off 27 balls from Dewald Brevis. Pat Cummins led the bowling with an impressive 3/28. In response, Hyderabad chased down the target effortlessly, reaching 181/5 with 6 balls to spare. Ishan Kishan top-scored with a fiery 70 off 47 balls, while Heinrich Klaasen anchored the finish with a quickfire 47 | **P15**

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- **Ritu:** Grishma • **Masa:** Adhika Jyeshta • **Paksha:** Shukla • **Tithi:** Thrutheeya 10.33 am
- **Nakshatra:** Mrigashira 12.38 pm • Moon in Kataka Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 03:00 am to 04:30 am
- **Gulikakala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER

MIN 22°C | MAX 28°C

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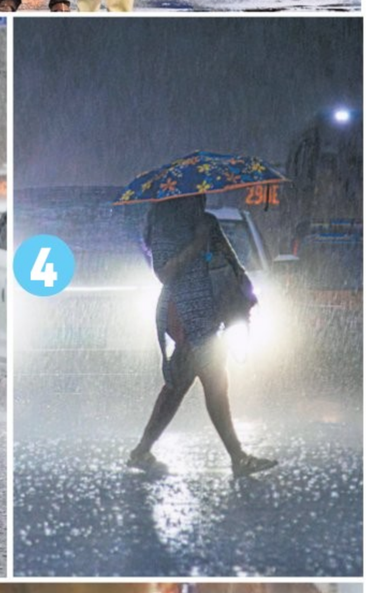
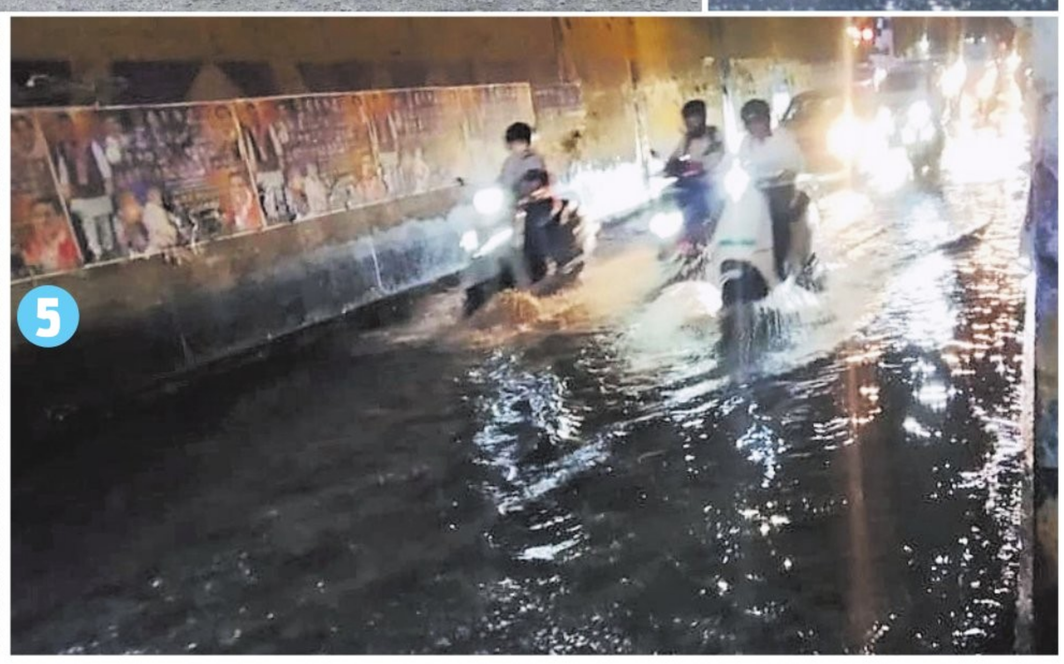
Sunset 06.38 pm
Moonrise 08.07 am
Moonset 09.37 pm





1. It was business as usual for a food delivery executive as he rides on a rainy Monday evening in Bengaluru
2. BMTC drivers, conductrors and passengers get off the buses and wait for traffic to clear at Balekundri Circle in the Central Business District
3. A motorist struggles to balance his over loaded motorbike
4. A woman crosses a road shielding herself with an umbrella
5. Motorists wade through the flooded Shivananda underpass

PICS: KEVIN NASHON, VINOD KUMAR T, EXPRESS

Homes in East B'luru in a mess, Sai Layout bears brunt again

Roads turn into rivers, submerge vehicles; flood preparation claims go down drain

SEVERE TRAFFIC CONGESTION

As expected, Monday evening's rain brought traffic to a grinding halt, and severe congestion was reported across the city, especially on Outer Ring Road and key tech corridors. Commuters heading home spent long hours on the road as several stretches were blocked due to waterlogging. Ongoing construction work worsened the situation after the rain.

According to Bengaluru Traffic Police, slow-moving traffic was reported due to waterlogging at several locations, including Manyata Tech Park towards Ring Road, Dommasandra, Kodathi Gate, Vibgyor Cross, Varthur Road, Cunningham Road, GRT Junction and Cauvery Junction. Due to severe waterlogging, Vidyashilp and railway underpasses at Sanjaynagar were temporarily closed. Traffic movement was also affected after a tree branch fell near Kodigehalli.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

HOMES and apartment complexes next to stormwater drains were flooded due to the sudden rains on Monday. Homes in Kurubarahalli, Kalyan Nagar, Horamavu, Ramamurthy Nagar and other areas were flooded with rainwater.

Several roads in the city turned into rivers, submerging two-wheelers and cars, as vehicles navigated slowly through stagnant water.

Despite the inspection by Urban Development Additional Secretary Tushar Girinath and Greater Bengaluru Authority Chief Commissioner Maheshwar Rao to finish all work to prevent flooding in Sai Layout, the area was flooded again. Layout residents told TNIE that their situation is horrible and that all claims by officials that they had taken steps to prevent flooding have gone down the drain. The waterlogged roads, overflowing stormwater drains and manholes just indicated that the five city corporations aren't doing enough to prevent flooding, as against its claims and back-to-back inspections on monsoon preparedness.

Areas like KR Market, Byatarayanapura, Jayanagar, JP Nagar, Majestic, Malleswaram, Vasanthnagar, Shivajinagar, Cunningham Road, Banaswadi, Chikkajala, Hennur, Hebbal, Bagalur, Indiranagar, Goraguntepalya, HBR Layout and other areas came under heavy rain.

Some shops in Shivajinagar and Commercial Street were flooded, while underpasses at Cantonment, KR Circle, Sumanahalli, Vidyashilp, and the railway underpass near Mall of Asia were inundated. Manyata Tech Park was flooded again.

The sudden downpour caught many heading home after the day's work by surprise. Former corporator M Shivaraj who visited flooded homes in JC Nagar, said, "Homes were flooded as stormwater drains were blocked by debris and construction material being dumped at the drain inlet. We immediately summoned a JCB and cleared the block, following which water drained out of the homes."

According to rainfall data from Varuna Mitra, Byatarayanapura clocked 65.5mm rain, Banaswadi 61mm, Manorayanapalya 55mm, and Vishwanath Nagenahalli and Pulikeshinagar recorded 46mm.

INDIGO DEPARTURE ARRIVAL, DELAYED

BENGALURU: As the rain lashed the city on Monday, three departures and seven arrival fligts by IndiGo were delayed at KIA. "Bad weather over Bengaluru has impacted flight schedules. We request that you stay updated on your flight status via our website or app," the airline said.

Migrant workers pushed to check limits in monsoon

DARSHAN DADADAPURA @Bengaluru

THE spate of sudden rains in Bengaluru has wreaked havoc in the homes of migrant workers in Bengaluru. Beyond the cases of water rushing into their homes, stagnant water on the roads has proven to be a challenge for rag pickers, who are left to fend for themselves without adequate gear.

Labour within these communities is often gendered; the women are categorised into domestic labour, often through contractors or agents. In cases of flooded homes, the women cannot take even a day off to look after their own homes, having been threatened with termination of their contracts. "My time of duty is from 6am to 2pm. On rainy days I have more work, and after I finish my duty, I reach my home at 4pm to take care of my child and husband, the latter being bedridden with a renal disease. I cannot even take a day off, as daily attendance is mandated by the contractor. I go to work even when I am sick, otherwise I will lose my job," said 30-year-old Salma, who lives in Kadugodi.

Bablu (38), who has migrated from Assam, picks up rags using his autorickshaw. While picking up dry waste is difficult enough as is, wet waste amounts to a much greater ordeal. "Wet garbage, often submerged, requires much more effort. We collect that garbage with no gloves, safety gumboots, or rain coats. We often get into stagnant rainwater, which is a breeding ground for mosquitoes, infections and diseases. In December last year, a seven-year-old girl, daughter of a fellow migrant worker from West Bengal died from dengue near Varthur," he lamented.

The issues are beyond the rainy days. In a settlement near Kodathi near Sarjapur, Mohammad Khalil (60), a ragpicker who migrated to the city from Delhi 15 years ago, highlighted the lack of basic infrastructure and government support. "We are not receiving any benefits from Delhi or Karnataka government. There is no connection between the government and us," Khalil said. He said that since they reside on a land that does not belong to them, they are forced to vacate whenever the landowner demands it, leaving them with no security.

Migrant workers also reportedly facing frequent harassment from local miscreants. Faiz Akram Pasha, founder of Jana Sadbhawana, a Bengaluru-based non-profit organisation, said incidents of blackmail, physical harassment, threats, kidnapping, and sexual violence have created an atmosphere of fear, particularly at night. "In most cases, victims do not come forward due to fear. They either return to their hometowns or continue working without reporting the incidents," Pasha said.

Pasha stressed that the daily lives of the city's migrant workers demand urgent intervention. "There is a shortage of drinking water and clean toilets; at night, especially during rains, residents fear snake infestations too", he added.

DClutter logs 5k downloads, 500 bookings in three days

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

BENGALURU Solid Waste Management Limited's (BSWML) DClutter app has witnessed over 5,000 downloads since its launch on May 16. It has already received nearly 500 requests to collect bulky items like sofas, cots and other old unused items, which the usual garbage collectors don't collect and eventually end up on the road sides and footpaths.

BSWML Chief Executive Officer Karee Gowda said BSWML vehicles would reach the locations pinned on the app to collect the items at the doorsteps free of cost.

"As of now, we have planned to collect bulky items only once a week. All the received requests will be attended to on May 23", he said. Those items which can be recycled would be sent to authorised recyclers, while the rest would be sent to waste to energy plants, Gowda said.

An official from BSWML said that with people having more income at their disposal keep upgrading their furniture, cots, and tables. "The regular scrap dealers accept household items that are of value to them, like iron and steel, leaving residents with no other option but to discard their useless items. During the night, they dispose of them quietly at places convenient for them, leading to environmental concerns and affecting the aesthetics of the city," he said.

People welcomed the initiative, stating that the issue has been there for a long time and the government had come up with a solution to address it. Some netizens who downloaded DCluter complained that the app was very basic and it kept loading. They complained that the app was launched in a hurry without being fully prepared.

EXPRESS READ

IISc to host free semiconductor training

Bengaluru: The Indian Institute of Science (IISc), supported by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, is hosting a 10-day semiconductor training programme from May 30, free for students from Scheduled Tribes (ST) backgrounds. The programme will be held at the Centre for Nano Science and Engineering at IISc. The duration of the programme will include full travel reimbursement, free accommodation and food provided by IISc. Fourth-year students and graduates from B Tech, first-year students or degree holders from Master of Technology, PhD scholars from technical or science backgrounds are eligible for the programme. Faculty members and teachers from ST backgrounds can participate. **ENS**

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

19th May : Mercury and Pluto Morality Check The trine of Mercury and Pluto in Aquarius shines a prism of light on issues of morality. Some people have honor but not morality (as in honor among thieves) and others have morality without honor (as in making a show of doing the right thing or doing it only when there's a reward). If you have both, use that sense today to avoid those who have half.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Sometimes love is easy and work is hard, and sometimes it's the opposite. But now, these two parts of your life are riding the same vibes. So anything you do in one area will contribute to the other. You're making it count.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
If you have the vague sense that you're missing out on something or there's somewhere else you should be, this is just a sign to stay aware. As things progress, more will become clear and your next move will be obvious.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
You've earned the perks that come with good relationships. One person who respects you will make all the difference in what happens next with your work. They will recommend, introduce and vouch for you in ways that expand your business.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
An age-old issue rears its head again. You're ready for this to be the last time. Your determination to change the outcome once and for all will be rewarded with a solid win.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You're easy to work with these days. Oddly enough, it takes great effort on your part to make things easy for the others. But it's so worth it. Smooth collaborations turn into repeat calls and recommendations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
There's someone already in your world who could help you more. They understand what you don't and can impart knowledge and insight that will help you unravel the very thing that's been most bothersome to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Do you wonder if there's more that could fulfill you than you're currently aware of? But of course there is. You haven't tried all the things yet. It's a day to push against the limits a bit and just imagine.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
You're constantly updating your skills. Study outcomes, not features. Instead of "What does this tool do?" ask "What result am I trying to create?" Then pick the simplest tool that gets you there.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Keep showing up and sharing what you're working on. Let people see your progress, your ideas and your finished work. Without visibility, people forget. You'll stay involved and people will think of you when opportunities come up.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Strong motivation is the hallmark of the day. And because you dare to move forward, you get a more accurate perspective. It turns out what looked like a sizable obstacle is only a pebble you can kick out of the way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
When they reach out, you respond quickly, a habit that wins you trust, friends and business. Thoughtful, timely responses show that you know what you're doing and you care. Your standard is to respect everyone's time.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Being good at maintaining relationships is the skill that pays you back time and again. Today, the winning move is to assess relationships as you think the other person would. What do you think they need and receive from it?

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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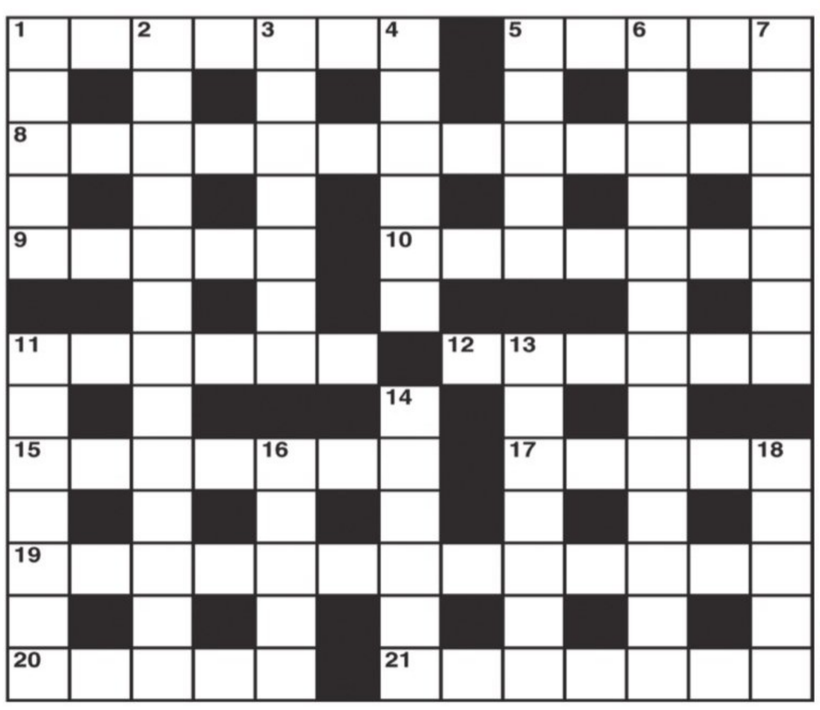
SUDOKU MEDIUM

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Professionals get by and even flourish (7)
5 He may want to change roles with the winner (5)
8 They figure a great deal in population surveys (13)
9 Send money or return the watch (5)
10 Sketch the escape route? (7)
11 To attract a number break a rule (6)
12 Yet it isn't the motorist's top gear (6)
15 Caught young lady going round with a journalist (7)
17 Practical joke is quietly offensive (5)
19 Defeated by the elements? (7-6)
20 Dismal king in love (5)
21 Abandons wastelands (7)

DOWN

1 A hard question for an artist's model (5)
2 Climbing a low hill but to no great extent (2,1,5,5)
3 Dog taken in hand for teaching (7)
4 Allowance made at or in a resort (6)
5 It's held by solicitors to be permissible (5)
6 Changing to steam trains? He should know (13)
7 Honour a relation (7)
11 Admitted everybody had debts (7)
13 Overburden journalists with work (7)
14 Loved to see the dreadnought wrecked (6)
16 This is an alternative to returning to her (5)
18 Rulers of the pack (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Dally, 8 Position, 9 Irons, 10 Hardback, 11 Smart, 12 Toe, 16 Entire, 17 Racing, 18 Ear, 23 Ideas, 24 Dominion, 25 Sepia, 26 Arteries, 27 Stage.

Down: 2 Acrimony, 3 Landrail, 4 Potato, 5 Hilda, 6 Nizam, 7 Snake, 12 Tee, 13 Err, 14 Acid test, 15 Engaging, 19 Azores, 20 Ideal, 21 Smite, 22 Snark.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

BNORI

JNNAI

HEOCOS

UONDAR

This sure beats sitting at a desk all day.
I love assembling these one part at a time.
BEING A MANNEQUIN ASSEMBLER MEANS HAVING A ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: ( ) - ( ) ( )

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: STUNG CLIMB THRASH DREAMY
Answer: The first letter of the alphabet won the match after bringing — ITS A-GAME

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CIC U-TURN: BCCI NOT A PUBLIC AUTHORITY UNDER RTI ACT

Central Information Commission says body not liable to answer queries under transparency law as it isn't public authority under the RTI Act

NO GOVERNMENT CONTROL: COMMISSION

The CIC, whose 2018 order was appealed, said BCCI is independent. "There exists no control of the government over the functions, finance, administration, management and affairs of BCCI," it said. While the BCCI does select national teams and organise tournaments, the Commission held that cannot be grounds for giving it public authority character

SYSTEMS OF OTHER CRICKET BOARDS

- Most other frontline cricket boards are categorised as autonomous boards who don't take government funding. But many voluntarily disclose information. Almost all international cricket boards are private bodies for the purpose of legalese
- The original RTI application was from a citizen in 2017

2018

WAS WHEN CIC SAID BCCI IS A PUBLIC AUTHORITY. BCCI WENT ON APPEAL

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Kerala CM V D Satheesan flanked by Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge, Congress leaders KC Venugopal, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi, and ministers Sunny Joseph and Ramesh Chennithala after the swearing-in ceremony | B P DEEPU

VDS kicks off on a welfare note

Announces free travel for women in RTC buses from June 15, dept for senior citizens

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ T'Puram

AMID thunderous cheers from a teeming crowd and in the presence of a galaxy of VIPs, V D Satheesan was sworn in as Kerala's 13th chief minister along with 20 cabinet colleagues at a glittering ceremony at Central Stadium, Thiruvananthapuram on Monday.

True to his word, Satheesan wasted no time in rolling out two major poll promises: free travel for women on KSRTC buses from June 15 and the launch of India's first dedicated government department for senior citizens. In a major relief for striking ASHA workers, he also announced a ₹3,000 hike in their honorarium.

Addressing a packed press conference after his cabinet's first meeting, a composed Satheesan said he was fully aware of the enormity of the task ahead and made it clear his administration would break from rigid precedents.

Satheesan said the new elderly welfare department would, within two months, prepare a comprehensive road map inspired by global models such as Japan's to ensure senior citizens can live with dignity. The CM said the government's goal was to build a system that would make Kerala stand out as a truly civilised society.

Signalling immediate relief for grassroots health and welfare workers, the cabinet approved a first-phase ₹3,000 hike in the honorarium of ASHA workers, raising their monthly pay from ₹9,000 to ₹12,000. The government also announced a ₹1,000 salary hike for anganwadi workers, helpers, cooks, and pre-primary teachers.

Earlier, Governor Rajendra Arlekar administered the oath of office and secrecy to Satheesan and his cabinet colleagues at a ceremony that lasted over an hour.

In accordance with a recent Union home ministry directive, the programme began and ended with the recital of the full version of the national song 'Vande Mataram' followed by the national anthem.

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, MP Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM D K Shivakumar, Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, Leader of the Opposition-designate Pinarayi Vijayan, AICC leaders K C Venugopal and Deepa Dasmunsi, CPI state secretary Binoy Viswam, and BJP state president and MLA Rajeev Chandrasekhar were also present.

White paper on Kerala's financial health

The new government would publish a white paper to give people a clear picture of the state's financial health. The administration will also chart its next course after receiving a detailed report on the economic impact of the fuel price hike

Jumbo fight: Woman crushed to death at Dubare

PRAJNA GR @ Madikeri

A tourist from Tamil Nadu was crushed to death after she was caught in a fight between two bull elephants at the Dubare Elephant Camp in Kushalnagar, Kodagu, on Monday. Juneshe S (33), the victim, had come from Pallavaram in Chennai with her husband and three-year-old daughter to visit the camp.

Hundreds of tourists visit the Dubare Elephant Camp every day to experience the bathing of the tamed elephants. At around 11.15 am on Monday, several tourists had gathered at the spot where mahouts were bathing the elephants in the Cauvery. However, two bull elephants got into a fight all of a sudden. Dasara elephant, Kanjan overpowered Marthanda, who fell into the river. During this fight, tourists started running helter-skelter even as the Tamil Nadu couple and their child got caught between the fighting elephants.

While the husband Joel rescued his daughter, Jersey, his wife, Juneshe, was caught between the two elephants and was crushed by Marthanda. She suffered severe injuries and died while being shifted to hospital. The body of the victim was handed over to the family after postmortem. Siddapura police registered a case.

Madikeri Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Abhishek said the elephants started fighting suddenly and this was common among them, mostly when they are in musth. While mahouts tried to control the situation, the accident could not be avoided. The DCF said that the victim's family will receive a compensation of Rs 20 lakh from the forest department.

A videograb shows the elephants crushing the woman tourist in Dubare, while her husband and child watch the nightmare unfold before their eyes

The DCF said the Dubare Elephant Camp will be closed for tourists for two days. He added that the Makhna elephant, Marthanda, was injured in the fight and is being treated by wildlife experts at Dubare.

Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre expressed his condolences to the victim's family and instructed tourists not touch or feed the tamed elephants. He has instructed the officials to ensure that tourists watch the tamed elephants only from a safe distance to avoid such incidents in future.

The public have urged the forest department to control the number of tourists visiting Dubare. They say touching the animals and clicking photos will affect their behaviour. P6

EXPRESS READ

UP nod for panel to decide OBC reservation

LUCKNOW: The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet on Monday approved constitution of the 'Uttar Pradesh State Local Rural Bodies Dedicated Backward Class Commission' to determine reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the state's three-tier rural local bodies P10

12 killed as truck collides with container in Maha

MUMBAI: At least 12 people were killed and 25 others injured on the Mumbai–Ahmedabad Highway near Palghar in Maharashtra, after a heavy container collided with a truck carrying a wedding party at 4pm on Monday. The impact was so severe that both vehicles overturned

SC criticises its fiat denying bail to Umar Khalid

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

STRESSING that "bail is the rule and jail is the exception" is not merely an empty statutory slogan, the Supreme Court on Monday questioned its January 5 judgment denying bail to activists Umar Khalid and Sharjeel Imam in the case of larger conspiracy behing the 2020 Delhi riots.

A bench of justices B V Nagarathna and Ujjal Bhuyan, while granting bail to J&K resident Syed Iftikhar Andrabi in a narco-terror case probed by the NIA, said that it has "serious reservations" on the reasoning adopted by a different bench of the Supreme Court in the Delhi riots case. The court said that the right to speedy trial cannot be curtailed only because charges have been invoked under the stringent UAPA.

In the Gulfisha Fatima case, which dealt with bail pleas linked to the Delhi riots, while several accused got relief, a two-judge bench comprising justices Aravind Kumar and N V Anjaria on January 5, 2026 refused bail to Khalid and Imam and said they can file fresh bail applications following the examination of protected witnesses after one year. A review petition was also dismissed on April 16, 2026. Justice Bhuyan noted "serious reservations" about the Gulfisha Fatima ruling. "We have serious reservations on various aspects of the judgment in the Gulfisha Fatima case, including foreclosing the right of the two appellants to seek bail for a period of one year."

The bench even compared the case of Andrabi with the earlier KA Najeeb judgment — which holds an accused cannot be jailed indefinitely.

"We have no doubt that under UAPA too, bail is the rule and jail the exception" the court noted. Khalid, Imam and others had been arrested in 2020 in connection with the Delhi riots.

CBI arrests Latur coaching centre founder

MAHA IS FOCAL POINT

Motegaonkar's arrest is the sixth in Maharashtra in the NEET paper leak case. Earlier, CBI had arrested PV Kulkarni and others

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE CBI has arrested the founder of a coaching centre based in Maharashtra's Latur over his alleged involvement in the NEET-UG paper leak, officials said on Monday. Shivraj Raghunath Motegaonkar, who runs Renukai Chemistry Classes, was arrested on Sunday after CBI recovered a leaked question paper of the exam held on May 3 from his mobile phone, officials said. Motegaonkar was allegedly an "active member of the organised gang" involved in the leakage of NEET UG 2026 exam.

Retired Prof PV Kulkarni, who was earlier arrested by CBI, is suspected of having provided the paper to Motegaonkar. Kulkarni was part of the NEET exam paper selection committee. Motegaonkar's coaching centre has nine branches, including the main branch in Latur. Motegaonkar received the question paper and answers on April 23.

The CBI said Motegaonkar provided copies of the leaked papers and answer sheets as handwritten notes that were destroyed after the examn, for sums ranging between ₹5-10 lakh. Motegaonkar's son was in Class 12 and a NEET aspirant.

Govt: India will continue to buy Russian oil

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

AMID uncertainty over the status of the US sanctions waiver on Russian crude imports, India on Monday said it will continue to buy Russian oil. "Enough crude has been tied up... waiver or no waiver, it will not affect," Sujata Sharma, joint secretary in the petroleum ministry, told reporters during a media briefing. The clarification came after the temporary US sanctions waiver expired on May 16. She said India had been sourcing crude from Russia even before the sanctions and would continue to do so depending on commercial viability. "These are commercial decisions taken by oil marketing companies based on national requirements and economic considerations."

The US first announced the waiver for a month in March and later extended it till May 16 amid concerns over global oil supply disruptions due to the Iran-US/Israel war.

India imports 88% of its crude oil requirement from over 40 countries.

PRE-MONSOON JAM

Heavy rains on Monday evening brought Bengaluru to a standstill and arterial roads remained jammed for over 2 hours. According to data from Varuna Mitra, Byatarayaapura received 65.5 mm | VINOD KUMAR T | P2

RTCs firm on strike, buses likely to go off roads tomorrow

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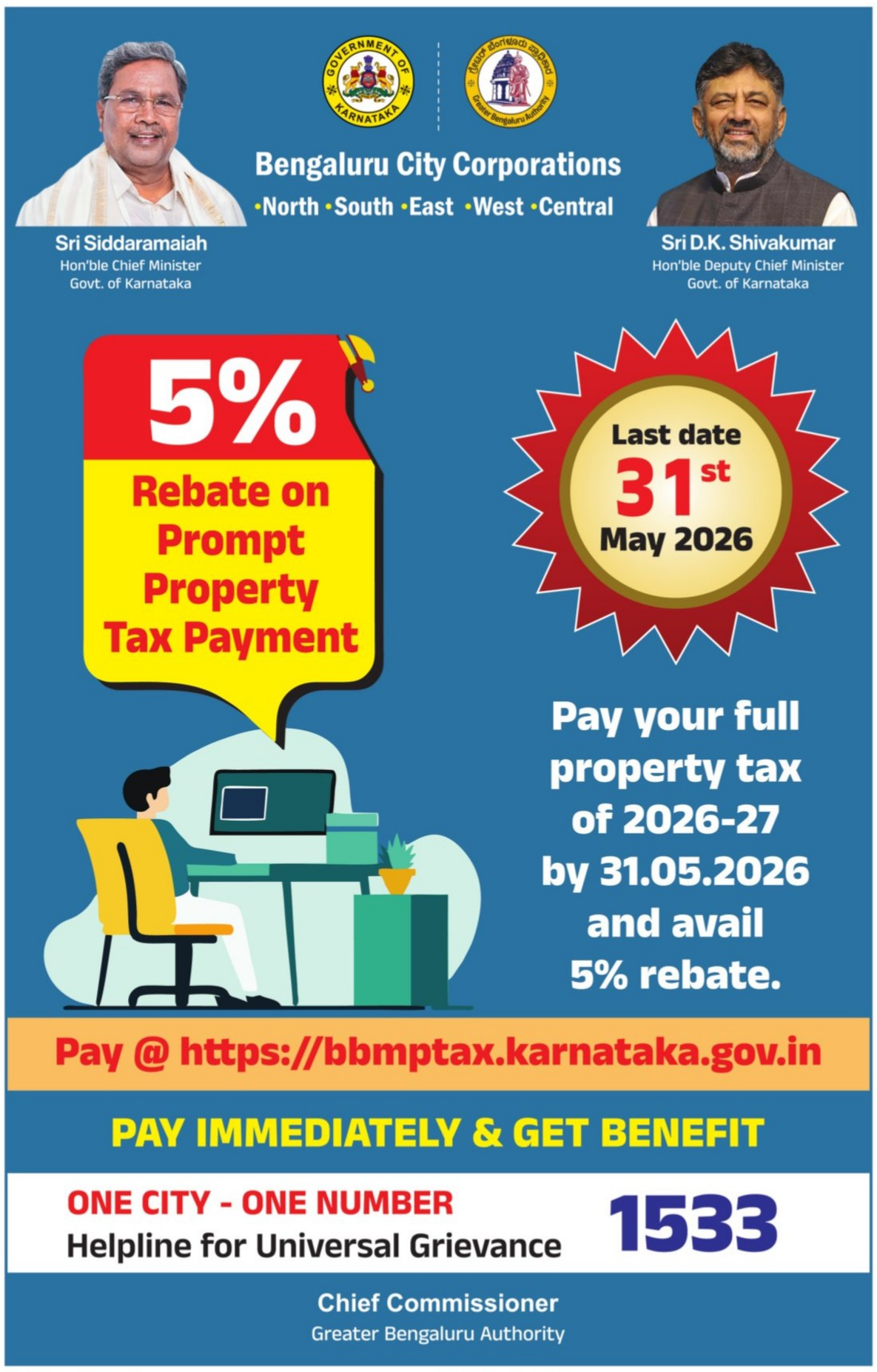
BUS services across Karnataka are likely to be affected from 6am Wednesday after the Joint Action Committee (JAC) of the four state-run transport corporations said the proposed indefinite strike from May 20 would go ahead, as talks with the labour commissioner ended without a concrete outcome on Monday. However, the unions indicated that another round of discussions with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah or Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy could take place on Tuesday before the strike begins.

JAC convener Jayadevaraje Urs told TNIE the conciliation meeting held by the labour commissioner did not involve decision-making authorities from the government, and no agreement was reached on their key demands, including revision of the recently announced 12.5 per cent wage hike order. P6



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3-YEAR CELEBRATIONS OF CONG GOVT

Guinness record for T'kuru, 1.52L to get title papers

Revenue dept staff to be felicitated; Over 2L to attend rally today

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara and Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda inspect the stage for the Congress convention to be held in Tumakuru on Tuesday

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WHILE the Karnataka government celebrates three years in office with a big-ticket rally on Tuesday, Tumakuru district will enter the 'Guinness World Records'.

The distinction will come from the Revenue department distributing title deeds, order letters and other documents to 1,52,492 beneficiaries under various programmes that include 1,06,000 under e-Pauti Andolana, 24,256 under Darkhastu Podi, 20,666 title deeds for revenue villages and 1570 under Podi Mukta Abhiyan. Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, who is also district in-charge minister, ensured the record for Tumakuru district.

Briefing the press here on Monday, Parameshwara said he had informed Guinness World Records officials in England, who will present the certificate of record. He also said that appointment letters will be given to 600 Anganwadi workers and helpers on the occasion. Apart from implementing the five guarantees within a year of coming to power, the government had also ushered in allround development, he claimed.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will also present letters of appreciation to PDOs, revenue inspectors, deputy tahsildars, tahsildars and surveyors of the Land Survey department, and assistant land records deputy directors who have performed excellent work. Around 3,000 buses from all taluks will fetch the beneficiaries to the venue, where breakfast has been arranged for them. There are over 1.52 lakh beneficiaries from across the district, and over 2 lakh people will attend the programme, he added.

Along with CM Siddaramaiah, Deputy CM DK Shivakumar, their cabinet colleagues, MPs, chairpersons of boards and corporations will take part. Extensive police deployment has been made for security, and 15 ambulances with medical personnel have been deployed at the venue as a precautionary measure, besides fire engines. He said that drinking water and buttermilk have been arranged for the public.

BJP: Cong has no moral right to hold meet

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OPPOSITION BJP leaders on Monday said that the State Government has no moral right to hold a 'Sadhana Samavesha' on completing three years in office, as it has failed on all fronts.

Opposition Leader in the Assembly, R Ashoka, said for the past three years, the government has followed an anti-farmer policy. He said the State Government has not allocated adequate funds for farmers in the budget, and despite promising support to farmers in its election manifesto, nothing has been done. He said the State Government has turned a deaf ear to farmers' suffering despite massive crop loss. Not a single official visited the affected areas to console farmers or initiated the compensation process, the BJP leader said.

He said the state's agriculture growth rate has reduced under the Congress government, and the collapse of the agriculture sector is due to the misrule and corruption of the state government.

The BJP leader alleged that fertiliser supplied by the Centre is being sold in the black market. He said Rs 20 crore was spent on the Ballari convention, and now the district administration has asked for Rs 12 crore on the Tumakuru convention, which is a Congress event.

The BJP leader said the government has still not conducted an inquiry into 74 students of the Agriculture University scoring 200 out of 200 marks in Chitradurga district.

Chief Whip of the Opposition in the Council N Ravi Kumar, said pushing the state to a huge debt trap, indulging in minority appeasement, and total lawlessness are the three dubious performance of the Congress government.

Scuffle breaks out in KPCC meeting over NEET row as two groups clash

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AN executive committee meeting called by the Karnataka Youth Congress Committee to discuss the planned protest against the recent NEET question paper leak and subsequent cancellation of the examination saw dramatic scenes after party workers nearly came to blows.

The confrontation reportedly involved the supporters of Karnataka Youth Congress president HS Manjunath Gowda and vice-president Deepika Reddy.

The clash broke out after Reddy and her followers were allegedly not allowed to speak at the meeting.

The meeting was called by Indian Youth Congress national secretary Nigam Bhandari to discuss the protest planned against the cancellation of NEET UG following the paper leak.

Speaking to reporters, HS Manjunath Gowda said there are protocols that need to be followed during executive committee meetings. "Some members were kept on hold, they are not suspended. It means some work was given to them, which they did not execute. There was some confusion, but no commotion," he said, downplaying the altercation.

A videograb shows the scuffle between members at the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee office in Bengaluru on Monday

He further added that a few members were also not involving themselves in party activities, and notices were issued to them. "They, however, did not reply," he claimed.

When media persons pointed out a video that showed the members creating chaos, Manjunath said that the Block Congress Committee presidents will verify it and take action. "The details will be shared with KPCC president DK Shivakumar. AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge will be informed about this. They will decide on the action that needs to be taken," he said.

Defending the act, Manjunath said the youth these days are more aggressive, and that is why in the video it looks like there was chaos. "There is no personal issue here. It was about the organisation. We will sit and discuss," he said.

Meanwhile, Deepika Reddy said she was elected to the post of KPCC youth wing vice-president by getting over 3 lakh votes. "Manjunath Gowda, who had earlier served as the vice-president in the previous committee, was troubling us. We were not allowed to raise our voice on any platforms. They were making allegations that we were not working and kept us on hold. In the state executive committee meeting, we tried to raise this issue and wanted Nigam Bhandari to listen to the grievances... some of them spoke rudely and were irked by this, some of the members tried to stop them. This problem will be resolved by CM Siddaramaiah and KPCC president DK Shivakumar," she added.

CHAI TIME

Karnataka Agriculture Minister N Chaluvarayaswamy fills tea at an eatery during an interaction programme organised by the Press Club of Bengaluru on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Fertilizer shortage due to West Asia crisis: Minister

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KARNATAKA Agriculture Minister N Chaluvarayaswamy said that the state is facing a fertilizer shortage of 38,000 tonnes. He attributed the shortage to the prevailing global scenario owing to the West Asia crisis.

"The State Government officials are in discussion with their counterparts in the Union Government," he told reporters in Bengaluru.

The minister said there is also a shortage of 14,000 tonnes of urea, and farmers have been told to use less fertilizers and adopt alternative methods.

"This year, the monsoon is expected to arrive in June. Instructions have been given to carry out effective vigilance regarding fertilizer supply. We have taken steps to distribute fertilizers only to farmers through the Farmer Registration and Unified Beneficiary Information System (FRUITS) ID system," he added.

On irregularities in the agriculture department examinations, he said, there has been a complaint from the Hiriyur examination centre. Based on this, a notice has been served to the vice-chancellor and secretary of the department, and re-examination will be conducted.

On recruitment, the minister said one has to compare how many posts were filled in the last three years under the Congress regime with the previous BJP term.

"It is not possible to fill the posts in five years... these posts have been lying vacant for the last 30 years. In my department alone, no recruitment has been done in the last 20 years, but we have filled 1,000 posts since 2023. There was a delay because of an internal reservation. In the next two months, all posts will be filled," he said.

Slamming Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy, the minister said that the Bidadi township project was not new. "Kumaraswamy initiated it as a smart city; the same has been taken up by DK Shivakumar. We have Electronics City, Whitefield, KR Pura, and Yelahanka, which have been developed now and are part of Bengaluru city. Shivakumar wants Bidadi to be developed like this," he said.

POLITICAL THEATRE

'Next CM' buzz to be settled soon: Satish

BELAGAVI: Amid growing political chatter over leadership change in Karnataka, Public Works Minister Satish Jarkiholi on Monday indicated that the controversy triggered by former minister KN Rajanna's remarks projecting Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara as the next chief minister would soon be put to rest at the Congress high command level. Speaking to reporters in Belagavi, Satish said the issue had already reached the attention of the Congress leadership in Delhi and discussions were expected to take place shortly. "The statement made by Rajanna suggesting Dr Parameshwara as the next CM has created considerable political discussion in the state. A call from Delhi is likely very soon, and the matter will be discussed at the high-command level. The issue is expected to be settled shortly," he said. The remarks come at a time when speculation over leadership equations within Congress have intensified, triggering fresh debate in political circles over the party's future power structure in Karnataka.

ONOE: People's will greater than parties', says JPC chief

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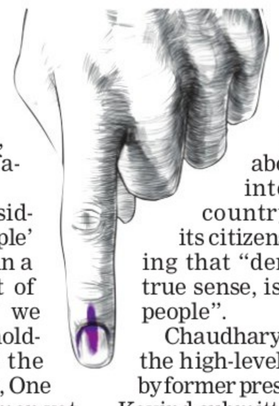
PP Chaudhary, chairman of the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) examining the Bill on simultaneous elections to the Lok Sabha and state assemblies, said on Monday that the will of the people is greater than that of political parties in bringing in massive electoral reforms in the country.

He along with other JPC members held consultations with the CM, DCM, Speaker of the Assembly, Chairman of the Council, elected representatives, heads of political parties, officials from the state administration, financial and educational institutions, professional bodies and representatives of civil society on the Bill. The JPC ended its exercise with an interaction with Padma Shri awardees, including HR Nagendra, Vijayalakshmi Deshmane, Jayalakshmi, and Ricky Kej, among others, who favoured the Bill.



"As of today, we consider the 'will of the people' to be at a higher level in a democracy than that of political parties. If we look at the real stakeholders who will benefit the most from 'One Nation, One Election', it is the common voter, the general public and the citizens of the country," he said when his attention was drawn to the Congress government in the state passing a resolution against the Bill, at an interaction with reporters here.

"Political parties may have certain interests or issues, and they can voice them. But those who truly think about the national interests are the country's voters and its citizens," he said, adding that "democracy, in its true sense, is the will of the people".

Chaudhary reiterated that the high-level committee led by former president Ram Nath Kovind submitted a report stating that if separate elections are held, the country will suffer a loss of Rs 7 lakh crore. However, if simultaneous elections are held, Rs 7 lakh crore will go to the country's treasury. That money can be directly used for the welfare of the poor, he said.

"We consider that (the financial savings) to be less significant; you shouldn't look at it solely in economic terms, look at the governance. While the direct implication might be an economic aspect-like a loss of 1% or 5% of the GDP-beyond that, the major indirect impact is on governance," he said.

He said six former chief justices of India told the committee that there is no violation of any kind regarding the federal structure, basic structure, or fundamental rights. They favoured 'One Nation, One Election'. "After that, three Supreme Court judges and three former high court judges shared their views. We also heard economist Gita Gopinath, Arvind Panagariya, the Attorney General of India, and senior advocates Kapil Sibal and Dr Abhishek Manu Singhvi," he added.

Chaudhary said the committee will make every effort to build a consensus on the Bill before presenting its report.

President's rule

"No, there is no provision for President's rule (in this context)... The Bill is silent on this; the Bill states that the committee will decide. What the government said was this is a larger issue, we can't discuss and decide here, it has to be decided politically. A government belongs to one party, and the government considered it proper that this should be left to the committee... to determine what the cutoff date should be. So, the government was not inclined to mandate a cutoff date; it left it to the committee and all political parties to decide it politically," he said.

BEYOND ROADS AND DRAINS

Panchayat in Udupi district creates rural palliative care network

VINCENT D'SOUZA @ Manglauru

IN the quiet villages of coastal Karnataka, where migration has hollowed out many homes, a gram panchayat has stepped into an unexpected role — caring for the elderly, bedridden and terminally ill left behind by absent families.

Vandse Gram Panchayat in Udupi district's Kundapur taluk has set up Karnataka's first community palliative care initiative led by a rural local body.

Started in September 2025, the project now serves more than 300 people across seven gram panchayats, offering free home-based medical and emotional care to some of the region's most vulnerable residents.

The initiative recently earned Vandse GP the second prize in the 'Healthy Panchayat' category under the National Panchayat Awards 2025 announced by the Centre.

In this belt of coastal Karnataka, migration to Gulf countries, Mumbai and Bengaluru is a way of life. Elderly parents are often left alone in ancestral homes, with neighbours becoming their first responders during medical emergencies. Many spend their final years in isolation.

"When children are away, even simple things like changing dressings, physiotherapy or counselling become difficult," said Uday Kumar Shetty, president of the Niramaya Society, which runs the programme. "The idea was to ensure people can live with dignity despite illness or old age," he said.

The staff of the Community Palliative Care Center at Vandse in Udupi district | EXPRESS

The project took shape after Karnataka's 2024-25 budget announced plans for rural palliative care centres. Vandse GP joined hands with six neighbouring panchayats — Chittoor, Idur Kunjnadi, Aloor, Haklady, Hemmady and Kerady — all of which had already collaborated for over a decade on solid waste management. Together, they formed the Niramaya Society under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act.

Before launching the initiative, panchayat representatives travelled to Kerala, widely regarded as India's pioneer in community palliative care. With guidance from Thiruvananthapuram-based Pallium India and successful Kerala panchayats, the team built a decentralised care network tailored for rural Karnataka.

Today, the programme supports 305 beneficiaries, including 217 senior citizens. Of them, 71 are bedridden. The care team — comprising nurses, physiotherapists, counsellors and trained doctors — travels door to door across seven panchayat limits in rented vehicles and a donated ambulance. Services range from pain management and physiotherapy to counselling and end-of-life support. Even a dead-body freezer is provided free of cost. The annual project budget stands at Rs 53.7 lakh. While the RDPR Department has contributed Rs 7 lakh, the rest comes from panchayat health cess funds, CSR support, temples and local donors.

In the next phase, the society plans to build a dedicated palliative care centre on 1.28 acres of panchayat land at an estimated cost of Rs 4.5 crore.

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The All-India Tiger Estimation (AITE) has hit a roadblock in Ankola taluk, Uttara Kannada, as two cameras fitted by a private company were stolen from a forest area. The forest staff found the cameras missing when they went to collect the data stored in the cameras

CCTV batteries from Bengaluru Safe City project stolen

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MISCREANTS allegedly stole batteries connected to CCTV cameras installed for women's safety by the Bengaluru police under the Safe City project. The two batteries kept inside CCTV junction boxes on Langford Road were allegedly stolen on May 16.

Ashok Nagar police have registered a case and launched efforts to trace and arrest the accused. Under the Safe City project, CCTV cameras have been installed across major roads in the city to enhance women's safety and strengthen surveillance. Batteries are placed inside junction boxes to ensure uninterrupted connectivity and functioning of the cameras.

Police said the thieves targeted two junction boxes on Langford Road and stole the batteries installed inside them. The complaint was filed by Rajeev Naykar, project director of Honeywell, the company contracted to maintain the surveillance system. The value of the stolen batteries is estimated at Rs 46,000. Police added that investigations are underway from multiple angles to identify and nab the accused.

Custodial deaths: Cases to be filed immediately

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THE Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) has issued a new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) mandating uniform investigation protocols in cases of custodial violence and custodial deaths across the state, citing lapses in evidence collection, delayed FIRs, and procedural irregularities by investigation officers.

In his order issued on May 16, the DG&IGP directed all police officers, including those with the Criminal Investigation Department (CID), to strictly follow time-bound and evidence-based procedures to ensure impartial investigations in such sensitive cases. Any delays in collecting physical and digital evidence often result in deterioration of crucial material, hampering justice delivery and judicial scrutiny, the order stated.

As per the SOP, officers in police stations must immediately register cases of custodial violence or death either on complaints by victims or relatives or suo motu without any delay. Copies of FIRs must be forwarded to senior officers and the chief office.

The SOP mandates that senior officers appoint an officer not below the rank of deputy superintendent of police (DySP) to ensure independent investigation until the CID takes over the case. Investigating officers are directed to immediately conduct spot mahazars, seize CCTV footage, collect medical records, and record statements of victims and witnesses through audio-video means.

In custodial death cases, the SOP mandates mandatory judicial magistrate inquiries, videography of inquest and autopsy proceedings, forensic examination, and collection of biological and digital evidence. Investigators are instructed to send samples to the forensic science laboratory in two days. The CID officers taking over the probe must verify earlier records, collect electronic evidence such as DVRs, CDRs, and CCTV footage, examine witnesses afresh, and seek prosecution sanction before filing charge sheets against accused police personnel.

Woman seeks help at ATM, gets robbed

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A 47-year-old woman seeking help from a stranger to withdraw cash at an ATM kiosk has paid a heavy price. The accused after helping the victim, followed her and has escaped after robbing her cash and other valuables.

The victim, Lalitha, a resident of Lakshmipura near Dasanapura filed a complaint on Friday. The victim at 7 pm on Thursday visited the ATM of a private bank at Sanjivini Layout in Dasanapura to withdraw Rs 10,000 in cash. Lalitha in her complaint stated that she asked for help from a stranger as she did not know the process. The accused after withdrawing Rs 10,000, handed over the ATM card and cash to her. After purchasing groceries, Lalitha was returning home in an autorickshaw. Due to traffic, she got down at Doddabyranahalli and began walking towards her house. She was shocked to see the same woman who had helped her at the ATM following her at 8 pm. The accused diverted the complainant's attention by asking her for directions to Lakshmipura. When Lalitha was about to reach her house, the accused snatched the purse from her hand and fled. The purse contained cash, the ATM card, her Aadhar.

The Madanayakanahalli police have registered a case of theft and cheating."The complainant, a garment factory worker, was advised to block the ATM card as the accused had her card and also knew the PIN. We are going through the footage of CCTVs in the vicinity as well as the ATM kiosk. The complainant has paid a heavy price for her negligence in seeking help from a stranger. It is always advised not to take help from unknown persons. Search for the accused is on," said an officer.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Sheep brought in from various districts are up for sale at Idgah Maidan in Chamrajpet in Bengaluru on Monday, ahead of Bakrid on May 28 | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

EXPRESS READ

Toddler chokes to death eating gooseberry

KOLAR: A three-year-old boy, Vijayendra, son of Ravi and Mala from Malur, died after a gooseberry lodged in his throat while he was eating it. The child's parents rushed him to a hospital, He died due to respiratory failure as the fruit could not be removed in time. **ENS**

Vachanananda Swamy quizzed for second time

DAVANAGERE: The district police conducted a second round of interrogation of Vachanananda Swamy of the Veerashaiva Lingayat Panchamasali Gurupeeth on Monday. The Swamiji was questioned by a team from the district police led by Dy. SP BS Basavaraj and others. Following the questioning, the police permitted the Swamiji to return to the mutt. The development comes in connection with a case registered under the POCSO Act at the Lakshmeshwara police station, alleging that the Swamiji sexually assaulted a boy in the mutt's hostel. On May 14, he attended the interrogation for the first time and underwent medical tests at Taluk Hospital, Harihar. **ENS**

FIVE IN NET FOR ASSAULT, ROBBERY; MINORS STAB STUDENT

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THE East Division police arrested five persons, including two minors, for allegedly assaulting and robbing two people in separate incidents early Sunday morning. In one case, the accused allegedly stabbed a college student.

In the first incident, police said that around 12.15am Sunday, a man was riding to a chemist store to buy medicines. The two accused intercepted him, allegedly assaulted him with their hands, and robbed him of Rs 600 before escaping. A case was registered at Banaswadi police station. The two arrested were identified as Suhas (22) and Stephen Raj (20), both residents of Govindapura and working as delivery executives.

In the second incident in Ramamurthy Nagar police station limits, around 3.30am, Dheeraj, a resident of Banjara Layout, was riding his scooter to meet his friends, with whom he was planning to head to Hoskote for biryani. Three miscreants, including two minors, allegedly intercepted him and asked for a drop. When Dheeraj refused and moved ahead, the accused followed him, attacked him with a knife, and fled with his scooter.

Police said Dheeraj was rushed to a nearby hospital by his friend and is out of danger. The accused Mithun (19), a delivery agent who was previously booked under the Arms Act at Hennur police station, and two minors were arrested.

DCP (East) Vikram Amathe told reporters that following the two incidents, four special teams were formed under the supervision of the ACP of Banaswadi subdivision, and the accused were subsequently arrested.

FOCUS FEATURE A SMD INITIATIVE

THREE YEARS ON, CONGRESS EXPANDS ITS GOVERNANCE PITCH BEYOND GUARANTEES

As the government enters its fourth year, it is positioning welfare schemes, investment inflows and governance reforms as the pillars of its political narrative

On May 20, as the Congress government in Karnataka completes three years in office, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will travel to Tumakuru for a major state-level programme that the government hopes will symbolically underline its governance narrative. At the event, nearly 1.40 lakh beneficiaries are expected to receive title deeds, sanction letters and benefits under multiple Revenue Department schemes, while development projects worth around ₹500 crore will also be launched or inaugurated.

The choice of Tumakuru is significant. The district has emerged as one of the largest beneficiaries of the state government's revenue and land reforms initiatives. Officials describe the event not merely as an anniversary celebration, but as an attempt to showcase what the government calls "delivery-oriented governance" across sectors ranging from welfare and healthcare to investment promotion and infrastructure development.

Riding on a historic mandate of 135 seats in the 2023 Assembly elections, the Congress government had returned to power largely on the promise of its five guarantee schemes. Three years later, the administration is attempting to project a broader governance model in which welfare measures coexist with industrial expansion, digitisation and administrative reform.

Five Guarantees at a Glance

- **Gruha Jyothi:** Up to **200** units of free electricity
- **Gruha Lakshmi:** **₹2,000** monthly aid for women heads of households
- **Anna Bhagya:** Free food grains for BPL families
- **Shakti:** Free bus travel for women
- **Yuva Nidhi:** Unemployment allowance for graduates and diploma holders

Welfare as the Foundation

The five guarantee schemes continue to remain the political and administrative centrepiece of the government.

Among these, the Shakti scheme has perhaps become the most visible in everyday life. Across Karnataka, women travelling free in state-run buses has become a defining image of the government's welfare model. Transport department officials say the scheme significantly increased ridership, particularly among working women, students and daily wage earners.

Gruha Lakshmi, which provides direct cash assistance to women heads of families, has similarly become a major financial support system in rural and semi-urban households. Ministers argue that the guarantees increased household spending capacity and stimulated local economies during periods of inflationary pressure.

At the same time, the government has repeatedly asserted that welfare expenditure has not come at the cost of economic growth. Karnataka continues to remain among the country's leading contributors in GST collections, exports, innovation and foreign direct investment.

Investment Push Beyond Bengaluru

The Commerce and Industries Department has emerged as one of the government's strongest showcases during the three-year period. Through the Global Investors Meet, Invest Karnataka 2025, the state secured investment commitments worth more than ₹10 lakh crore, with projected employment potential running into several lakh jobs.

Officials point out that nearly 75 per cent of these proposed investments are located outside Bengaluru, indicating a conscious push towards regional industrialisation.

The government's new Industrial Policy 2025-30 has focused heavily on incentives for manufacturing, clean mobility, aerospace and electronics. Additional subsidies have been announced for industries setting up units in backward regions, while a revamped single-window clearance system seeks to reduce delays in approvals. Officials also claim Karnataka is steadily strengthening its position in emerging sectors such as electric mobility, semiconductors, aerospace manufacturing and global capability centres.

Major Investments Secured

- Foxconn mobile manufacturing facility: **₹22,000** crore
- Exide giga factory project
- Airbus-TASL helicopter assembly facility in Kolar
- Safran avionics manufacturing unit in Bengaluru
- Semiconductor and clean mobility investments across districts

Bengaluru's Massive Infrastructure Pipeline

While welfare remains the political face of the administration, Bengaluru's infrastructure agenda has become one of its most ambitious governance exercises.

Deputy Chief Minister D. K. Shivakumar, who also oversees Bengaluru Development, has spearheaded several structural reforms aimed at decentralising administration and accelerating project execution.

The Greater Bengaluru Authority framework reorganised civic administration into five corporations, with the stated objective of improving accountability and speeding up service delivery.

Digitisation has become a major component of the Bengaluru governance push. More than 25 lakh property records have been digitised and around 9.5 lakh e-Khatas issued. Automated building plan approvals, online property systems and integrated land management reforms are intended to reduce delays and improve transparency.

The city has also seen the rollout of major infrastructure plans involving tunnel roads, elevated corridors, white-topping projects and metro expansion.

The Cauvery Stage-5 project, aimed at supplying drinking water to areas merged into BBMP limits, is expected to benefit nearly 3.5 lakh households. Meanwhile, the Yellow Line Metro corridor connecting Electronic City is projected to substantially improve mobility for one of Bengaluru's largest employment hubs.

B'luru Infra Projects

Project	Estimated Cost
Tunnel Roads	₹40,000 cr
Elevated Corridors	₹13,500 cr
White Topping Projects	₹7,500 cr
Double Decker Corridors	₹9,000 cr
Cauvery Stage-5 Water Project	₹7,000 cr

Revenue Reforms Reach Rural Karnataka

Away from the visibility of Bengaluru and industrial summits, the Revenue Department has quietly undertaken one of the government's most extensive administrative digitisation exercises.

For decades, beneficiaries of government-granted lands faced delays in survey corrections, RTC generation, land subdivision and mutation processes. The newly digitised Darakhastu Podi system aims to address these long-pending issues through online processing and simplified procedures.

Across Karnataka, more than 1.15 lakh survey numbers have already been processed under the initiative, while over 65,000 subdivision rectification works have reportedly been completed.

Tumakuru district has emerged as a major focus area in this exercise. Officials say the district alone accounts for tens of thousands of beneficiaries under schemes involving e-Pouthi, revenue village creation, land grants and housing-related interventions.

The government claims that by digitising land records and reducing procedural complexity, farmers are now able to access maps, RTCs and related documents online without repeatedly visiting government offices.

For many families, officials say, disputes pending for generations are finally being resolved.

Health and Preventive Care

The Health Department has focused on expanding preventive healthcare and strengthening public health systems over the last three years.

One of the government's widely publicised interventions has been the HPV vaccination programme covering more than two lakh adolescent girls as part of cervical cancer prevention efforts.

Health Sector Focus Areas

- HPV vaccination drive for adolescent girls
- Expansion of hospitals and PHCs
- Puneeth Rajkumar health initiative
- Hriday Jyoti programme

Griha Arogya outreach initiatives

Officials say investments in primary healthcare infrastructure, recruitment of doctors and strengthening of public hospitals have improved healthcare access, especially in rural areas.

Agriculture and Rural Economy

The government has also attempted to emphasise support for farmers through mechanisation subsidies, crop insurance relief and value-addition initiatives.

According to official figures, subsidies worth ₹1,500 crore have been provided for agricultural machinery, while crop insurance claims worth around ₹6,000 crore have been cleared.

Support has also been extended to farmer groups involved in food processing and value-addition activities, with the aim of improving rural incomes beyond conventional farming. Officials maintain that the government's broader objective is to move farmers from subsistence agriculture towards entrepreneurship and agri-processing.

Three Years Later

As the Congress government completes three years in office on May 20, it is seeking to project a broader governance narrative built around welfare delivery, administrative reform and infrastructure expansion. The government's anniversary event in Tumakuru, where nearly 1.40 lakh beneficiaries are expected to receive land titles, benefit orders and welfare sanctions, has become a symbolic showcase of that approach.

Beyond the guarantee schemes that defined the 2023 campaign, the administration is now highlighting industrial investment, Bengaluru infrastructure, land digitisation, healthcare outreach and farmer-focused initiatives as part of its governance record.

Karnataka state level coordinator for the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas Sidhharth Agarwal announced on Monday that adequate stocks of petrol and diesel are fully available across all retail outlets of public sector oil marketing companies in Karnataka, including Indian Oil, Bharat Petroleum, and Hindustan Petroleum

Dashboard and app to track BLOs during SIR

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, is preparing an app and a dashboard to keep track of the working of the Booth Level Officers (BLOs).

Through the app and the dashboard, the CEO office will keep track of the number of enumeration forms distributed, not distributed, collected and uploaded on the website during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise starting on June 20 in the state.

V Anbukkumar, Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, on Monday held a meeting with representatives of various political parties on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR).

"We want to ensure that all voters are included in the electoral rolls. There have been some grievances raised pertaining to improper mapping exercise, to ensure there are no such during the SIR exercise, all preparations are being done," said an official from the CEO Karnataka office.

There are 59,050 BLOs for 5,55,74,064 eligible voters in the state. For every 10 BLOs, one supervisor is being appointed. There are also 25,284 Booth Level Agents (BLAs). They are appointed by the registered political parties

"We have requested the political parties to appoint as many BLAs as possible to ensure there are no anomalies. A list of people deceased and those who have shifted will be shared with the parties. We are also trying to ensure that the BLOs are not influenced by BLAs. We want all people to participate in the SIR exercise and sign the forms themselves to avoid any scope of errors," the official said and added this is not the first time SIR is being done.

"There is a lot of apprehension among people and political parties that names of people will be deleted or many will not be included. Thus citizen awareness and active participation is essential. Cooperation and coordination will ensure a smooth SIR," the official said.

Govt talks could ease 25% wage hike standoff

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JAC convener Jayadevaraje Urs reiterated the committee's demand for modification of the government order issued on May 12 and sought implementation of wage revision from January 1, 2024. Though unions have demanded a 25% wage hike, leaders indicated that the figure was negotiable if the government came forward for meaningful discussions.

The unions said the labour commissioner, on behalf of the government, requested them to defer the strike till May 25, assuring them that changes may be considered. However, union leaders said they need a concrete reason to convince employees to defer the protest.

Leaders also claimed that transport employees across the four state-run corporations — BMTC, KSRTC, NWKRTC and KKRTC — were strongly backing the strike call, and bus services could be affected across Karnataka from Wednesday morning.

Union leaders clarified that employees had been advised to remain at home peacefully and not report to depots, rather than engage in demonstrations or disruptions outside workplaces. The strike has been called over wage revision, arrears and other pending demands of the four corporations.

RAMALINGA DEFENDS WAGE REVISION

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy defended the government's wage revision proposal, saying the State had already responded positively to the JAC's demands and termed the unions' 25% wage hike demand as "financially unviable". He told *TNIE* that the government had changed the implementation period of wage revision from 2026 to 2025 and increased the settlement period from 14 months to 26 months after discussions with unions. Reddy claimed that most issues had been resolved during negotiations, but internal differences among union groups led to the strike call. "We said the government would take one step forward if unions also compromised. But they insisted on a 25% hike," he said. The minister stated that implementing a 25% wage revision would require nearly Rs 1,650 crore annually and over Rs 6,000 crore over four years, while transport corporations were already burdened with debts exceeding Rs 7,000 crore. He said the corporations' managing directors had suggested only 7% hike, but the government enhanced the offer to 12.5% after discussions with CM Siddaramaiah. "We tried to arrive at a reasonable settlement, but the unions announced the strike before further discussions could conclude," he said. Warning employees against abstaining from work, the minister said the government would invoke the 'no work, no pay' principle if employees failed to report for duty. Ahead of the indefinite strike call, Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation issued a 'no work, no pay' warning to employees. In a circular, MaVnaging Director Akram Pasha said employees of the four state-run transport corporations are prohibited from striking under the Karnataka Essential Services Maintenance Act, with services classified as "public utility services". The corporation said the dispute is under conciliation before the labour commissioner, making the strike legally impermissible. Employees have been directed to report for duty, failing which disciplinary action and salary deductions may follow.

Dubare clash: Jumbo camps closed to tourists

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

FOREST, Environment and Ecology Minister Eshwar B Khandre on Monday issued orders to forest officers across the state to close elephant camps for visitors, particularly Dubare and Sakrebyle camps. He said henceforth, nobody is allowed to go near elephants, either to bathe, feed or take photographs. A distance of 100feet should be maintained from elephants at the camps. "Directions have been issued to prepare detailed standard operating procedures (SOPs) for all camps. Until then, camps will not operate," he said.

The directions were issued after the death of 33-year-old Tulsi, a tourist from Tamil Nadu, at Dubare elephant camp in Madikeri on Monday.

Recently, the state listed out SOPs for trekking and safaris. Trekking has been suspended in Karnataka till the SOPs are implemented.

Khandre said, "I have sought a detailed report of the incident, besides a report on elephant camps and their operations. We will take a look at the camps, and also a special look at the Dasara elephants."

One of the bull elephants involved in the conflict in Dubare, Kanjan (28), had participated in the 2025 Dasara parade in Mysuru. Department officials said, "Fights among elephants in camps are common, but Dubare is most sensitive. It houses the highest number of elephants, where tourists are in close proximity in the water. Elephants tend to play, and can become violent and aggressive. Mahouts and kavadis have also died here. Earlier too, Dubare had been closed down, but owing to pressure from stakeholders, including politicians, it was opened again."

According to officials, of the 10 elephant camps in the state, tourists were allowed in close proximity to elephants in Dubare, Mathigodu and Sakrebyle camps. According to data, they house 31, 15 and 24 elephants respectively.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Kumar Pushkar said there are 114 elephants in the department's camps. This is the highest in the country. Recently, three new camps were opened at Harangi, Bheemankatte and Doddaharve.

RAIN-HIT HARVEST

With pre-monsoon showers lashing Chikkamagaluru, farmers salvage what remains of their cluster beans crop in Karnataka | PTI

EXPRESS READ

Grandson stabs 70-year-old granny

Belagavi:A shocking incident has been reported from Agasage village in Belagavi district, where a 70-year-old woman was allegedly stabbed to death by her grandson just hours after she approached the police seeking protection from his harassment. The deceased Balavva Kalgouda Patil (70), a resident of Agasage village. The incident occurred, creating fear and outrage among local residents. Balavva, who was reportedly distressed by her grandson's repeated harassment, somehow managed to reach the Kakati Police Station late at night and lodged a complaint against him. Considering her age and the late hour, police personnel reportedly dropped her back to Agasage village in a police vehicle. **ENS**

IISc study: Blue Line can run on solar

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AN Indian Institute of Science (IISc) study found that Bengaluru's 55-km Namma Metro Blue Line connecting Central Silk Board and Kempegowda International Airport can achieve 100% annual energy self-sufficiency through solar power using only BMRCL-owned land.

The study estimates Rs 61 crore annual savings, with station rooftops alone enabling 36.5% energy offset. The report is India's first corridor-scale techno-economic analysis of integrating solar photovoltaic systems into a metro rail traction network. The study was conducted by the IISc Sustainable Transportation Lab between August 2025 and March 2026 in collaboration with BMRCL.

An installed solar capacity of 83.3 MWp across station rooftops, elevated viaduct parapets, station canopies and depot rooftops would be sufficient to meet the estimated energy demand.

All 30 stations were identified for solar installations. The phase-1 investment is estimated at Rs 48 crore to Rs 63 crore and is projected to generate annual electricity savings of Rs 36.4 crore from first year, with a payback period of under two years.

The study projected environmental benefits, estimating that phase-1 solar deployment alone could reduce carbon emissions by 44,526 tonnes annually — equivalent to removing nearly 19,000 petrol cars. The 317-km Namma Metro network might reduce it by 1.53 million tonnes.

MAHATRANSCO Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

E-TENDER NOTICE

MSETCL SRM invites online RFx (e-Tender) from the Registered Contractors for MAHATRANSCO e-Tendering (SRM) website for below mentioned work. **E-tender No./ RFx No.: 7000039967 Name of work :** Conversion of Existing Indoor SF6 & VCB AIS Switchgear Panels pertaining to 50MVA, 220/22 kV TF-1, TF-2, TF-3 & TF-4 LV bays and its 22 kV Outgoing Feeder to indoor GIS switchgears along with replacement of Transformer LV Side Three core Power Cables by Single core cables at 220KV Mahape Substation Under EHV (O&M) Dn, Kalwa. **Estimated Cost :-** Rs. 28,11,08,547/- (Excluding GST) Rs. 33,17,08,086/- (Including GST). **EMD Amount :-** Rs. 28,11,085.47 **Tender Fees :-** Rs. 25,000/-+ GST. **Date for Submission of the e-Tender Documents:** From 19.05.2026 @ 15.00 Hrs to 18.06.2026 @ 15.30 Hrs. For detailed information visit our website: **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in**

Sd/-
CHIEF ENGINEER,
EHV PC (O&M) Zone, Vashi

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known by all that our client, Mrs. Rajni Kharbanda, wife of Ashwani Kharbanda has misplaced the original Sale Deed dated 05.09.1991 (Registered as Document No. 3083/1991-92, Book-I, Volume 3164, at pages 57 to 58, at the office of the Sub Registrar, Shivajinagar). She has also filed the Lost Article Report bearing No. 2206789/2026 with the Karnataka State Police in connection to the same.
Notice is hereby given to the general public that if any person is in possession of the same or is to find it, to return it forthwith to my counsels M/s Dharma Law Partners at the address below within 15 (fifteen) days of this notice.
Date: 18.05.2026
Place: Bangalore
TejasKhiraiya
Partner,
Dharma Law Partners,
507, Westminster Building,
Cunningham Road, Bangalore - 560052.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
KARNATAKA MEDICAL COLLEGE AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE, HUBBALLI
No. KMCRI/SUP-6/84/2026-27 **Dated 16-05-2026**
ಇ-ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಸೇವೆಗಳ ಟೆಂಡರ್)
1) ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ. DME/2026-27/SE0712/Call-02
2) ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ. DME/2026-27/SE0713/Call-02
2026-27 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗಾಗಿ ಕೆ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಆರ್.ಆಯ್ ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ ಆವರಣದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ವಿವಿಧ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ವಿಭಾಗಗಳಿಗೆ ಅಗತ್ಯವಿರುವ ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ. ಮತ್ತು ಕಂಪ್ಯೂಟರ್ ಆಪರೇಟರ್ ಸೇವೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್ 06 ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್ 09ರ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಈ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಶುಲ್ಕ ಮತ್ತು ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.
ಸಹಿ/- (ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು),
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **SMT. HARSHITA PRASANNA**, W/o D.M. Sunil, Residing at # 441, 8th Main, 12th Cross, Sadashivanagara Bangalore, is intending to purchase the schedule property from its owner, **Smt. Ashwini Surendar W/o V.S. Surendar, aged about 59 years, R/o no.8, MLA Layout, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore-560032.**
If anybody has any claims against the schedule property or objections for Sale or purchase of the schedule property, they may notify the same **within 15 days** to me, failing which it will be presumed that no body have any objects or claims & my clients will proceed with further formalities to purchase the same.
SCHEDULE
Vacant site no. 527, M.I.G., at 2nd stage, 11'A' Main, Yelahanka Satellite Town, Bangalore North taluk, measuring 2700 sq.ft., East-West 60 ft and North-south 45 ft. bounded as follows: **EAST BY :** Property no. 509, **WEST BY :** Road, **NORTH BY :** Property no. 527/A, **SOUTH BY :** Property no. 526.
B.S. KRISHNA, Advocate
69/1, 4th Main, 17th cross,
Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560055

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

e-Tender Notice No. : 4634-GRC-CE-C-II-17-2026. For & on behalf of President of India, Chief Engineer (CON)/II/Garden Reach, Kolkata-700043 invites e-tender for the following work : Following tender has been uploaded on website **www.ireps.gov.in** The tender will be closed at 12.00 hrs. on due date. **Brief Description of Works** : Composite work for Execution of work for Yard remodeling works at Adra-Sanka-Rukni in connection with Adra-Sanka-Rukni doubling Project under the jurisdiction of Dy CE/Con/Adra. **Approx. Cost :**₹ 82.19 Crore. **Bid Security :** ₹ 1,64,38,300/-. **Completion Period :** 24 months. **Closing Date :** 12.06.2026. Interested tenderers may visit website **www.ireps. gov.in** for full details/ description/ specification of the tenders and submit their bids online. In no case manual tenders for these items will be accepted. **NB :** "Prospective Bidders may regularly visit **www.ireps.gov.in** to participate in all other tenders." **(PR-183)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE RECORD IS LOST
Smt. MANGAMMA, W/o Muniraju aged about 51 years residing at No.411/A, 3rd Main Road, 9th Cross, Maruthinagar, Mysore Road, BANGALORE-560026.
I do hereby inform the Public that I am the absolute owner of the land in Kempapura Agrahara Sy. No. 15,17,18,19 and 20 and Byatarayanapura Sy.No. 105,106,107 and 315 of the plots divided by Government Electric Factory (Kavika) Employees House Building Co-operative Society Limited the vacant plot number (345/1) is the property acquired through Sale Deed by Mr. PUTTAYYA ON 27.09-2002 and registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Srirampura Bangalore Book-1, Regd. No. 2797/02-03 and recorded C.D.No. 09 the registered 3rd Page sale deed sheet I have misplaced while vacating the premises. It could not found despite much searching a police complaint was registered on 02-02-2026 by the Police Unit Bangalore with the lost report reference No. 2039652/2026 .If anyone has the above documents or is in their possession they are requested to immediately contact the above address or the mobile number below and deliver them.
NARESH: 8904561993
RAMESH .M, Advocate
No.9/3,1st Main Road, 4th Cross, 1st Floor, Near Narendra School, Deepanjalinagar, Baangalore-560020. Ph: 9606603226

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No: EEE/AEE(O)/PSDKLR/F-25/26-27/237-38 Date: 13.05.2026
NOTIFICATION
KPTCL has formulated a scheme under Section 67 of the Electricity Supply Act 2003 and the same is herewith published in pursuance of Section 67(2)(C) of the scheme are as follows.
(1) Mylapura: Establishing 2x20MVA, 66/11kV sub-station at Mylapura and Construction of 66kV LILO line from existing 66kV Chintamani-Talagawara D/C line to proposed 66/11kV Mylapura S/S in Chintamani Taluk, Chikkaballapura District using 110kV Narrow based towers with Drake ACSR conductor for distance of 4.422 Kms. **Amount: Rs. 2746.15 Lakhs New 66kV lines Passing through the Villages Names and Survey No's:** [District: **Chikkaballapura** Taluk: **Chintamani]** Hobili: **Kasaba, Alambagiri: Tower Number (T.No.):** LILO, **Survey Number (S.No.):** 266, T.No. LILO-AP-1, S.No. 266, T.No. AP-1 to AP-2, S.No. 266, [Hobili: **Kaiwara] Kendanahalli:** T.No. AP-1 to AP-2, S.No. 112, T.No. AP-2 to AP-3, S.No. 112, T.No. AP-3 to AP-4, S.No. 112, **Chinnasandra:** T.No. AP-3 to AP-4, S.No. 99, T.No. AP-4 to AP-5, S.No. 99, 101, 102/4, T.No. AP-5 to AP-6, S.No. 102/4, 104, 105/1, 106/1, 106/2, 119, T.No. AP-6 to AP-7, S.No. 119, 115, 117, 114/2, 113, 51, 50, T.No. AP-7 to AP-8, S.No. 50, 23/3, 23/5, 23/7, 23/4, 22/2, **Chinnasandra** T.No. AP-8 to AP-9, S.No. 22/2, 22/1, 209/2, 20, 19, **Doddihalli:** T.No. AP-8 to AP-9, S.No. 29/2, T.No. AP-9 to AP-10, S.No. 29/2, 33, **Chinnasandra:** T.No. AP-9 to AP-10, S.No. 20, **Nagadenahalli:** T.No. AP-9 to AP-10, S.No. 108, 97, T.No. AP-10 to AP-11, S.No. 97, 94/10, 94/6, 94/5, 94/4, 94/7, 94/3, 94, 94/8, 94/2, 94/1, 60/2, 90, T.No. AP-11 to AP-12, S.No. 90, 91/1, 90, T.No. AP-12 to AP-13, S.No. 72, T.No. AP-13 to AP-14, S.No. 72, T.No. AP-14 to AP-15, S.No. 72, **Myalapura:** T.No. AP-15 to AP-16, S.No. 110, T.No. AP-16 to AP-17, S.No. 110, 117, T.No. AP-17 to Bay, S.No. 113.
(2) Kurubarahalli: Establishing 2x20MVA, 66/11kV sub-station at Kurubarahalli and Construction of 66kV LILO line from existing 66kV Kolar-Avani S/C line to proposed 66/11kV Kurubarahalli S/S in Kolar Taluk & District for route length of 3.957 Kms. **Amount: Rs. 2621.81 Lakhs. New 66kV lines Passing through the Villages Names and Survey No's:** [**Kolar** Taluk & District] Hobili: **Kasaba, Bhattrahalli:** T.No. DD+0, 110kV NBT, S.No. 87/3, T.No. DD+3, 110kV NBT, S.No. 39, T.No. AP-1, S.No. 46, T.No. AP-1 to AP-2, S.No. 46, 58/2, 58/3, 58/4, T.No. AP-2 to AP-3, S.No. 60, 140, **Shillangere:** T.No. AP-2 to AP-3, S.No. 28, 31/8, 31/7, 31/6, 31/4, 32, 52, 51/3, 54, 51/4, 55/1, 55/2, 55/3, 51/2, 56, 62/1, 57, 58, 62/2, 59, 62/5, 59, 61, 64/1, 64/2, 64/5, 69, 68, T.No. AP-3 to AP-4, S.No. 68, 72/1, 67, 73, 74/3, 74/4, 74/5, 79/1, 79/2, 78, 78/2, 78/9, 78/8, 78/16, 87, 89/6, 89/3, 89/9, 90/6, 90/2, 90/8, 91/4, 91/5, 91/1, 94, T.No. AP-4 to AP-5, S.No. 94. T.No. AP-5 to AP-6, S.No. 94, 129. T.No. AP-6 to AP-7, S.No. 129. **Kurubarahalli:** T.No. AP-6 to AP-7, S.No. 11, T.No. AP-7 to AP-8, S.No. 11, 81, 80, 11, T.No. AP-8 to AP-9, S.No. 11, T.No. AP-9 to AP-10, S.No. 11, T.No. AP-10 to AP-11, S.No. 11, T.No. AP-11 to Bay, S.No. 11.
KPTCL shall have exercise all powers which the telegraphic authorities possess under Part-(iii) of telegraphic act 1885 (13 of 1885) for implementation of the above schemes. if any should be sent to the **Executive Engineer (Elec.,), Projects Division, KPTCL, Kolar** within **15 Days** from the date of publication of this notification for consideration by the corporation. Any objection received after this period will not be considered.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele)., Projects Division, KPTCL, Kolar

DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION
Office of The Commissioner, Nrupatunga Road, Bangalore-560001 Ph.:080-22213129
No:DPI/2026-27/IND0663/CALL 2 **Date:18.05.2026**
SHORT TERM RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)
The Director (Minority), Office of the Commissioner, Department of School Education, Bengaluru-01 invites Short term re-tender tender as per the KTPP Act, 1999 from the Manufacturer/ Dealer/Suppliers for Supply of Sandals in five Districts those who are studying in Government Higher Primary & High School students in the State of Karnataka for the year 2026-27 through e-Procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
The last date for uploading the documents : **26.05.2026 upto 5.00 p.m.**
Sd/-
The Director (Minority),
Office of the Commissioner.
DIPR/CP/JA/722/2026-27

KARNATAKA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Central Offices, Mechanical Engg., Dept., K.H. Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560027, Tel No: 080-22221321 EXT: 291
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
SHORT TERM TENDER NO: KSRTC/2026-27/IND0298 (T-150) Dated:18/05/2026
(Through KPP Portal Mode only)
(1) Short term Tender is invited through KPP Portal for supply of 400 Nos. BS-VI diesel fully built Mofussil buses for KSRTC.
(2) Tender Value Approximate: **Rs. 160.00 Crores.**
(3) Last Date for Bid Submission in KPP portal: **03/06/2026@17:00 Hours.**
Further, any addendum/corrigendum in respect of change in calendar of events, specification, scope, other tender terms & conditions etc., will be uploaded/Published through KPP Portal only.
NOTE: Interested Bidders need to register in the KPP portal.
Interested Bidders may log into **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for details. In case of further assistance, the bidders may contact e-procurement Help Desk for support Ph:080-22230960 & 080-22234115 or email at eprocurement helpdesk@gmail.com. Interested suppliers may also contact e-procurement cell for training on bid submission. E-mail to eprocurementhelpdesk@ gmail.com for further information if required.
Sd/-
Chief Mechanical Engineer
(Tender Inviting Authority)
DIPR/CP/JA/724/2026-27

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that our Client intends to enter into a development agreement to develop the lands described in the Schedule below **("Schedule Property")** with Nagalakshmi S (wife of Surya Prakash) **("Owner").** The Owner has represented to our Client that she is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property.
Any person/s having any right, title, interest or claim in the Schedule Property or any part thereof, in any manner or objecting to such transaction in favour of our Client may, write to the undersigned with requisite documentary evidence within **fifteen (15) days** from the issuance of this public notice, failing which, our Client shall proceed with the above-mentioned transaction, without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, shall be deemed as waived.
Any other person dealing directly or indirectly with regard to any of the Schedule Property or in any other manner shall be doing so at their own cost, risk and consequences and our Client shall not be responsible for any such acts.
Schedule Property
All that piece and parcel of the immovable land bearing **Survey No. 124/16 measuring 1 Acres 20 Guntas** situated at Arakere Village, Hesaragatta Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru which is bounded on its:
East by : Government Road;
West by : Survey No. 135/8 & 135/12;
North by : Survey No. 124/2;
South by : Survey No. 124/3.
Mr. Vishal Bhat - Partner,
M/s. Anoma Legal, First Floor, A1 Tower, Golden Enclave, HAL Old Airport Road, Rustam Bagh Layout,
Bangalore – 560 017, Ph: 9845562134
Dated: 19-05-2026, Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the Kind Notice of the General Public that, **My Client SRI.MUNISWAMY SUNDAR RAJ @ SRI.M.SUNDAR RAJ,** Aged about 65 years, has lost/misplaced the Original **Provisional Allotment letter dated 12.11.1992,** issued by the "The Karnataka Government Class D Employees House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd.," pertaining to the schedule property, and further state that My client has not availed a loan or created any encumbrance/charge over the schedule property, in any banks, financial institutaions. etc. And Further state that My client **SRI.MUNISWAMY SUNDAR RAJ @ SRI.M.SUNDAR RAJ** sold the schedule property and if anybody having objections or claim over the said property or the original documents they can lodge their claim and objection with relevant documents with the undersigned **within Seven (7) days** from the date of this notice, failing which the claims of all such persons shall be deemed to have been waived or abandoned., and further If any person/s finds the above Original **Provisional Allotment letter dated 12.11.1992,** may be delivered to the below mentioned address.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL, of the Immovable residential Property bearing Vacant Site No.78, Property No. 150200400200120475, New Khatha No.1145/1163/B4/78 in Block No.4, Old Katha No.1163, Present Kannur Gram Panchayath Katha No.(1145)1151/B4, in the layout formed by "The Karnataka Government Class D Employees House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd.," in Sy.No.21, in Sub No.104 to 124, Situated at Yarappanahalli Village, Bidarahlli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, **Measuring East to West 30.0 feet and North to South 45.6 feet, in all Measuring 1368 Square feet.,** and bounded on the:
East by : Site No.77
West by : Site No.82
North by : Road
South by : Private Property
K. MANJUNATHA LAW ASSOCIATES
ADVOCATES & LEGAL CONSULTANTS
Office at No. 393, & No.40/5, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010
Mob: 9886199381. Date : 18.05.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

Under instruction of my client **SARATHBABU.N.G** S/o. N.Gopi Naidu, aged about 46 years and Smt. R. ADI NEELIMA W/o. Sarathababu.N.G, aged about 42 years both are residing at-No-206, Vakil Whispering woods Phase-1, Marasur Madivala Marsur Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562 106. As follows,
My clients are the absolute owners of the property bearing site No-206 farmed the layout named Vakil Whispering woods Pahse-1, Marasur Madivala Marsur Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District. My clients are lost the Unregistered GPA in respect of the schedule property., the document made an 6th day of October 2004 executed by one Mr. Bingumalla Satyanarayana in favour of Mr. Bingumalla Venu, when my clients are traveling on the bike No-KA-01 KF-3399, on Chandrapura Circle the GPA Deed have 2 pages, of the above said site or lost. And also my clients lodged the complaint at the Surayanagara police station on dated:- 16-05-2026 Sl.No-2205403 and lost report No-2205403/2026, hence anybody traced the said document may kindly contact my clients, contact numbers are mentioned below.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
East by: Plot No-205, West by:Road, North by :Plot No-204, South by:Plot No-208.
NAGABHUSHANA.V, Advocate
N.V. LAW ASSOCIATES
Office at: Srinivasa Reddy Building, Attibele Main Road, Opp To Indian Oil Petrol Pump, Anekal, Bangalore - 562106.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client's, **SRI.BASAVARAJA, E.** No.Flat No.103, Sai Arcade, No.23, 6th Main, 1st Cross, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru-560086.
My Client's lost/misplaced following Original Documents, Original - Sale Deed dated 08-12-2003 executed by Sri.Syed Nazeer and Sri.Iqbal Ahmed, represented by GPA Holder Sri.Srinivas Rao in favour of Smt.Sulochana Poojari, registered as document No.33822/2003-04, Book-1, stored in CD No.159 in the office of the sub registrar, Bangalore North Taluk. & GPA dated 16-07-1992 executed by Sri.Syed Nazeer and Sri.Iqbal Ahmed in favour of Sri.Srinivas Rao.
A complaint dated 16-05-2026, bearing Lost Article Report No.2206625/2026 for the loss of Original above Documents/Deeds are lodged in this regard, If said original property document find it kindly return to the address below and if any objections from anybody may submit within 15 days from the date of publication of this public notice
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing **Site No.130,** Khata No.15 and 206, Assessment No.32, situated at Chikkabanavara CMC, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: (42+43)/2 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all measuring 1275 Sq.ft. and bounded on:
East by : 30 Feet Wide Road,
West by : Private Property,
North by : Site No.131,
South by : Site No.129
S.B. ANGADI ADVOCATE & ASSOCIATES
No.572/1, First Floor, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, 6th Main, Near Matru Nursing Home, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangaluru-560079.
Mob: 9743497929, 8050906949.
Date: 18-05-2026

Advertisement No. 51/2026
Government of India
Public Enterprises Selection Board
invites applications for the post of
Chairman & Managing Director
in
Mahanadi Coalfields Limited
Last date of submission of application by the applicant is by 15:00 hours on
04/06/2026
Last date of forwarding of applications by the Nodal officers to PESB is by 17:00 hours on
15/06/2026
For details login to website
https://www.pesb.gov.in

VCK president Thol Thirumavalavan, on Monday, clarified that no one from the DMK or AIADMK officially approached him to make him the chief minister, and everything that has been doing the rounds is just speculation

AIADMK is at the crossroads again, both factions stick to their stand

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A day before the informal meeting of district secretaries called by him, AIADMK general secretary and former chief minister Edappadi K Palaniswami on Monday reached out to those removed from party posts and dismissed the charges of the rival faction led by SP Velumani and CVe Shanmugam that attempts were made by AIADMK (under Palaniswami) to form a government with DMK's support. Stating that all parties had their own share of problems, Palaniswami, in a statement, said that if there are issues, it could be addressed through intra-party talks.

Describing the TVK dispensation as 'poikkal kuthirai', Palaniswami dubbed the government led by Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay a "dummy horse regime that could only last for some time," and accused it of orchestrating "horse-trading".

Without mentioning the divesting of party posts of functionaries after 25 MLAs voted in favour of the TVK government, Palaniswami said that late leaders MG Ramachandran and J Jayalalithaa had taken action against those who betrayed the party, and also admitted them back with compassion if they reformed. "We continue to act in accordance with their guidance today."

Palaniswami made his statement on the same day veteran leader S Semmalai (80) quit the party. Semmalai, a loyalist since the days of founder MG Ramachandran, stated that recent internal events caused him deep anguish.

Despite overcoming numerous crises throughout its 50-year history, the AIADMK has been severely weakened by continuous internal power struggles since the death of its leader, J Jayalalithaa, and the party is at a crossroads again.

The party has been grappling with leadership disputes, electoral setbacks linked to alliance choices, and persistent internal factionalism. With the two groups in the AIADMK sticking to their stance, there is a need for both groups to undertake serious introspection on the party's future and the direction it should take in the changing political landscape of Tamil Nadu, forced by the TVK kicking out both Dravidian majors after six decades.

Talking to *TNIE*, a senior functionary who is supporting Palaniswami, said, the crisis will blow over very soon as the AIADMK general secretary is legally strong. He said the MLAs in the rival group have lost all their claims over the

AIADMK the moment they allowed TVK president Vijay at their place.

"The 25 MLAs want to be part of the power, and hence they are supporting the TVK. But the 2.5 crore members of the AIADMK are not with them. Only in two districts do they have support from a section of the general council members, and all their claims are false," the functionary said.

He also pointed out that even if some of the MLAs in the rival group get berths in the TVK cabinet, they cannot continue as the court will intervene once the AIADMK takes it up.

The annual general council meeting will take place at an appropriate time without fail. Regarding the call for the party's unity from S Semmalai, the functionary said, "He is a veteran leader. If he has a real intention to resolve the issues, he would not have left the party but would have attempted to bring peace among those who have differences." However, the rival group leaders, including SP Velumani, held discussions in Chennai on the progress made in getting the letters supporting the convening of the AIADMK general council.

MOMENT OF JOY

Kerala Chief Minister VD Satheesan shares a light moment with AICC chief Mallikarjun Kharge, Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah, and Telangana CM Revanth Reddy after his swearing-in, in Tiruvananthapuram on Monday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

TN MAN RUNNING RESTAURANTS IN CAMBODIA ARRESTED FOR CYBER SLAVERY

CHENNAI: The Tamil Nadu cyber crime wing has arrested a 35-year-old man from Madurai for allegedly trafficking Indian nationals to cyber scam compounds in Cambodia and forcing them into online fraud operations. The suspect, Madhan Vadivel, was arrested from Madurai by a special police team following a complaint from a victim belonging to Tirupathur. The victim had been lured with promises of a job in Cambodia. After collecting the money, the suspect allegedly arranged travel documents and facilitated his movement to Cambodia, where he was handed over to operators running cyber scam centres. **ENS**

13-year-old boy beaten to death by two friends in Coimbatore

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A 13-year-old Class 7 student was allegedly beaten to death after a minor argument by two of his friends near Irugur in Coimbatore district. The suspects had dug a pit and buried the body to escape from the crime, police said. The victim, the elder son of Bharathiraja of New Colony in Irugur, was studying at a government school in RG Pudur. With schools closed for summer vacation, the boy had gone fishing with a group of friends near a canal close to the Masani Amman temple on May 15 (Friday) afternoon.

When the boy failed to return home, his parents launched a search and questioned two boys, aged 15 and 13, who had accompanied him earlier in the day. The two claimed that the student had left with an unidentified person, arousing suspicion.

Subsequently, the parents lodged a missing complaint with the Singanallur police. Following sustained interrogation, the boys confessed to the murder, police said.

Police sources said an argument broke out among the boys while they were fishing near the canal. In a fit of rage, the two juveniles allegedly attacked the victim on the head using an empty liquor bottle and a rock, killing the boy on the spot.

Fearing arrest, the accused allegedly dug a pit nearby and buried the body before returning home. Based on information provided by the juveniles, police recovered the body on Monday morning and sent it to the ESI Hospital in Singanallur for postmortem.

The Singanallur police have taken the minors into custody and registered a murder case. Further investigation is under way.

Death of 3 kids in blaze, leopard attack: Upa Lokayukta files suo motu cases

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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TAKING suo motu cognisance of the death of two children of a labourer in a fire accident at A Narayanapura in the city and of a boy in a leopard attack near MM Hills in Chamarajanagar district, Upa Lokayukta Justice KN Phaneendra has registered cases against those allegedly responsible for these incidents.

Quoting media reports of May 12 on the death of two children, the Upa Lokayukta said it was an unfortunate incident. According to reports, Arjun and Asha, the victims, died in the blaze at their shed. They lived in the shed with their parents and grandmother. The parents of the children, who are daily wage workers, were at a construction site when the incident took place. The owners of the land or the contractor did not provide basic facilities, including electricity, to the workers living in the sheds.

The Upa Lokayukta said that in this case, the right to life of a citizen has been violated. As per Section 43 of the Building and Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1996, the jurisdictional labour inspector should inspect the places of work to ascertain the safety of workers. When an employer fails to provide a safe environment to his workers and their families at the workplace or at the temporary place provided to them, it amounts to violation of the Act on his part. If the inspector fails to act in this regard, it amounts to dereliction of duty on his part, he added.

Justice Phaneendra registered a case against senior labour inspector Somashekara HM and assistant executive engineer Arpita of Horamavu Division of the East City Corporation. He directed them to give an explanation in person.

He marked a copy of the complaint to the Bengaluru Urban district in-charge minister for action.

Citing media reports of May 11 on the death of Harshithgowda in the leopard attack near Indiganattha village in MM Hills, Justice Phaneendra noted that the incident happened allegedly due to lack of safety measures and facilities for devotees visiting the temple at MM Hills.

According to reports, the forest department provides no facilities and protection though it collects Rs 200 from each devotee at the checkpost. This resulted in the death of three people, including the boy, in one year, he said.

He registered a case against assistant conservator of forests (ACF) Sandeep Kumar, MM Wildlife Sub-Division, ACF Mariswamy, Kaveri Wildlife Division, Hanur, deputy range forest officer Ramesh Biradar, MM Wildlife Division, and range forest officer Vagish, Kaveri Wildlife Division, Hanur.He passed orders to issue notice and summons to them to submit their response in person by June 17.

INVITATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF URC MANAGER, HQ TC(U)

Applications are invited for the contractual post of URC Manager HQ TC(U).
The QRs are:-
(a) EX servicemen with experience / knowledge of working in NPF.
(b) Should be computer Literate and have good communication skills(English as well as Hindi)
(c) In possession of any managerial qualification.
(d) Should be able to independently draft correspondence.
(e) Knowledge of Accounting procedures especially in NPF is desirable.
(f) Should have some knowledge of Quality Control (Experience or Qualified).
(g) Experience in supervision capacity to manage at least 15-20 people under them.
(h) Should be able to liaise with service as well as civil agencies.
(j) Should be below 60 yrs of age (as on 01 Jun 26)
Approximate emoluments will be appx Rs.32,500/-pm (Rupees Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred Only). Interested ESM to drop their applications along with required documents i.e resume with two passport size photos, experience certificate, other documents(if any) in the box kept at Main Guard Room to OIC URC, HQ TC(U), AF Hebbal, JC Nagar(PO), Bangalore-06 on or before 05 Jun 26 at 1030hrs.

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India
भारत सरकार का उपक्रम A Government of India Undertaking
Asset Recovery Branch-Bangalore South #2/3, Raja Building, N.R Road, Bengaluru-560 002
E-Mail: ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank

Date: 15.05.2026

POSSESSION NOTICE
[Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, NR Road, Bangalore, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 06-12-2025 calling upon the Borrowers/Guarantor 1.Mrs. Kiran Mehta, W/o. Mr. Opinderdeep Singh, F-3/330, Sangam Vihar, Delhi -110062, Also at, Mrs. Kiran Mehta, W/o. Mr. Opinderdeep Singh, Flat No. 101, 1st Floor, D Block, B.M Magnolia Park, Hagadur Village, K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore -560037. 2.Mr. Opinderdeep Singh, F-3/330, Sangam Vihar, Delhi -110062 Also at, Mr. Opinderdeep Singh, Flat No. 101, 1st Floor, D Block, B.M Magnolia Park, Hagadur Village, K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore -560037, to repay the dues mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 94,22,923.39 (Rupees Ninety Four Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Three and Thirty Nine Paisa only) as on 30.11.2025** and interest/Cost/Expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice
The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **15th Day of May 2026**.
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch for an amount of **Rs. 96,71,233.08 (Rupees Ninety Six Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Three and Eight Paisa only) as on 30.04.2026** and interest/Cost/Expenses thereon.
The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule A : All that piece and parcel of converted lands bearing Item No. 1 : Survey no. 30/2, measuring 39 Guntas, Item No. 2 : Survey No. 30/6, measuring 7 Guntas (Out of 32 guntas), Item No. 3 : Survey No. 42/2, measuring 13 Guntas, Item No. 4 : Survey No. 42/8, measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas, Item No. 5 : Survey No. 42/1, measuring 25 Guntas, Item No. 6: Survey No. 42/8, measuring 5 Guntas, Item No. 7: Survey No. 43, measuring 2 ¾ Guntas, Item No. 8: Survey No. 42/3, measuring 34 Guntas, Item No. 9 : Survey No. 42/4, measuring 06 Guntas. All together totally measuring 4 acres 28 ¾ Guntas. i.e, Item No. 1 to 4 and 6 to 9 of the said properties have been converted form agricultural use to non agricultural residential purposes vide the Official Memorandum dated 17/2/2012 in No. ALN(E.K.H.W) SR:126/2011-12 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore and the Rectified Official Memorandum dated 17/2/2012 in No. ALN(E.K.H.W) SR: 126/2011-12 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore and further Item No.5 of the said property has been converted from agricultural use to non-agricultural residential purpose vide the Official Memorandum dated 17/10/2008 in No. BDS ALN(E)SR:(KH):83/07-08 issued by the Special District Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, Present BBMP Katha No. 1054/46, situated at Hagadur Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on : **East by :** Remaining land in Sy No 42/8 and 43 and Road. **West By :** Land in Sy No.19 and 30/1 and remaining land in 30/6 **North By :** Nagondanahally Village boundary and remaining land in Sy No.42/1 and **South by :** Land in Sy N. 30/3,30/7,42/4 and remaining land in Sy No.42/6 and 42/7.
Schedule B : 366.15 Sqft of undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above
Schedule C : Apartment/ Flat No. 101 on First Floor "D" Block in " UNIT-I-CEDAR", measuring 1245 Sq.Ft super Built up area, containing 2 bedrooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring , along with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc, in the multistoried residential building known as "B M Magnolia Park" constructed in the Schedule A Property,.

Date : 15.05.2026 **For Union Bank of India**
Place : BANGALORE **[AUTHORISED OFFICER]**

MAHAREL Maharashtra Renewable Energy Limited
NOTICE INVITING BIDS
FOR
PROVIDING SERVICES FOR PREPARATION OF DETAILED PROJECT REPORT (DPR), BID SPECIFICATIONS, TENDERING ACTIVITY, REVIEW, SCRUTINY, APPROVAL OF DETAILED ENGINEERING, MATERIAL INSPECTIONS & PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR 8 X 25 MW GRID CONNECTED SOLAR PLANT ALONG WITH BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM IN MAHARASHTRA.
(TO BE SUBMITTED ONLINE DULY FILLED IN AND DIGITALLY SIGNED) Tender No MREL/2026-27/SOLAR HYBRID PMS/T03 Dt.19.05.2026.

Mahagenco Renewable Energy Limited (MahaGenco REL), Mumbai, India invites interested bidders to bid for the above mentioned subject.
The bidder should register on **https://bharat-electronictender.com** and can download e tender after payment of tender document fee of Rs. 17,700/ (Indian Rupees Seventeen Thousand and Seven Hundred only) [i.e Rs. 15,000/- plus 18% GST]

1	Start Date of Acceptance of Tender Fee by MahaGenco REL and Download of Tender Document.	19.05.2026, 12:00 Hrs.
2	Last Date of Acceptance of Queries / Comments from Bidders.	11.06.2026, 18:00 Hrs.
3	Date and time of Pre-bid meeting (Pre-Bid Meeting will be held Online, and the link will be shared on the Mahagenco website and tendering portal)	12.06.2026, 11:30 Hrs.
4	Last Date of Acceptance of Tender Fee by MahaGenco REL and Download of Tender Document	25.06.2026, 18:00 Hrs.
5	Last Date for Submission of online Bid (Techno-Commercial and Price Bids) along with EMD	29.06.2026, 14:00 Hrs.
6	Last Date for physical Submission of Techno Commercial bid (Envelope–1)	30.06.2026, 18:00 Hrs
7	Opening of Techno–Commercial Bids	01.07.2026, 11:00 Hrs.
8	Opening of Price Bid of Qualified Bidders	Will be intimated by mail

MahaGenco REL reserves the right to cancel / withdraw this Invitation for Bids without assigning any reason for such decision. For more details of Notice for Invitation of Tender (NIT), please visit to Bharat portal **https://www.bharat-electronictender.com** as well as MAHAGENCO's official website **https://www.mahagenco.in** For further information, kindly Contact DGM (Commercial & Contracts), MahaGenco REL, **E-mail ID dgmcomcon@mrel.in (Mobile no- +91 86522 00322).** Further details / any amendment/corrigendum/ updates will be published only on **https://www.bharat-electronictender. com** only.

Sd/-
Chief General Manager
Mahagenco Renewable Energy Ltd.

HDFC BANK
HDFC BANK LIMITED
Regd. Office: HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013
Branch: #51, HDFC House, Kasturba Road, Bangalore 560 001
Tel:-080-41183000 CIN L65920MH1994PLC080618 Website: www.hdfcbank.com

E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE (Sale through e-bidding only)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

The Authorised Officer of **HDFC Bank Limited** (erstwhile HDFC Limited having amalgamated with HDFC Bank Limited by virtue of a Scheme of Amalgamation approved by Hon'ble NCLT-Mumbai vide order dated 17th March 2023) (HDFC) issues E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ties) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorised Officer of **HDFC Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** as per the details mentioned below :
Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s)(since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in **Column (A) under Rule 8(6)** of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Secured Creditor's **website i.e. www.hdfcbank.com**

Sl No	(A) Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/	(B) Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)*	(C) Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)	(D &E) Date of Auction and Time ---------- Type of Possession	(F&G) Reserve Price (Rs.) ---------- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)
1	Mr. T Mohanrao (Borrower) and Mrs. Mahalakshmi (Co-Borrower)	Loan A/c No. 639198027 Rs.69,25,640/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Only) as on 30.09.2025	**Schedule A:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Survey **No. 57/4** (Municipal No. 29/57/4), measuring 3 Acres 36 Guntas, situated at Anjanapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, and bounded on the: **East by:** Property of Sri. Krishnappa, presently Bangalore Development Authority; **West by :** Remaining portion of Survey No.57/4 of Krishnappa, Presently owned by H.K. Shakunthala, presently Bangalore Development Authority; **North by :** Kanchi Varadappa's land and Hanumanthadevara inamthi land, Presently water drain and Bangalore Development Authority; **South by:** Private Property. **Schedule B:** An **695 Sq. feet** of undivided share in the Schedule 'A' Property, more fully described in the Schedule B' hereto, and A Three Bedroom Apartment bearing **No. 302,** 3rd Floor, Block Jade, to be constructed on the portion of the Schedule 'A' Property having a Carpet area of 1,618.15 Square Feet PRM/KA/RERA/1251/310/PR/180917/002010) forming part of the project named and styled as **"MAANGLAYA PROSPER SIGNATURE BLOCK"** bounded on the: **East by:** Lobby, **West by** : Open Space, **North by :** Flat No. J 303, **South by :** Open Space.	03.07.2026 12.00 PM to 12.30 PM ---------- Physical	Rs.1,05,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.10,50,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)
2	Mr. Adla Krishna Kishore (Borrower)	Loan A/c Nos. 609831592 Rs.3,81,424/- [Rupees Three Lakh Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Four Only] as on 31.12.2025	All that piece and parcel of vacant Site No.588, formed in layout known as **"UPKAR MEADOWS"** comprising of Sy. No.107/2, of Kyalasanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, vide Khatha No.945/149/588, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose, vide conversion order No.ALN/SR/(A)/248/2004-05, dated 12.11.2004, passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, and plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority bearing No. APA/LAO/22/2011-12, dated 12.12.2011, and as per release letter No. APA/LAO/22/2011-12, dated 12.10.2012. Measuring: East to West 40' feet, North to South 25' feet, Totally Measuring **1000 Sft,** Bounded on the: **East by :** Road, **West by :** Site No.593, **North by :** Site No.588/A, **South by :** Site No.589. And any construction thereon in present and future.	03.07.2026 12.00 PM to 12.30 PM ---------- Physical	Rs.30,50,000/- [Rupees Thirty Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only] ---------- Rs.3,05,000/- [Rupees Three Lakhs Five Thousand Only]

1. Inspection Date & Time: 12.06.2026 and 19.06.2026 between 11.AM TO 4.PM
2. Minimum bid increment amount: Rs. 35,000/-
3. EMD Amount Submission on or before : 30.06.2026 (Before 5.00 PM)
together with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation thereof.
The online auction will be conducted on the web site https://biddeal.in of our auction agency M/s Valuetrust Capital Services Pvt Ltd.,
For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr.Yogesh.N / Shridhar Chinni, official of HDFC Bank Limited through Tel No.080-41182283, 080-41182126 / 9449080072 / 7795853045 To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets. This is applicable SL No.2 Property only. There are builder dues, Tax & Khata Charges as applicable to complete the sale transaction (Flat No.302, 3rd Floor, Maangalya Prosper Block- 1,This is applicable SL No.1 Property only.

Date : 19.05.2026 **For HDFC Bank Ltd.**
Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer of HDFC Bank Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002**

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
TAMIL NADU MEDICAL SERVICES CORPORATION LTD.
(A Government of Tamilnadu Undertaking)
No. 417, Pantheon Road, Chennai-600 008.
Phone: 044-2819 1890, 2819 0259
Website: www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in
E-Mail: gmdrug.tnmsc@tn.gov.in, mngrpurdrug.tnmsc@tn.gov.in

Online Tenders is invited by the Tender Inviting Authority, Tamilnadu Medical Services Corporation Ltd., Chennai 600008, from the bidders meeting the eligibility criteria indicated in the tender document for the supply of **Drugs to Sale Counter of TNMSC Ltd** for two years from the date of acceptance of the tender.

Sl. No	Description	e-Tender Reference	Tender Floating Period	e-Tender Submission Duration	Date and time of online opening of Technical Bids
1.	Online Tender for the supply of Drugs to Sale Counter of TNMSC Limited under rate contract system for two years from the date of acceptance	e-010/M(P)/SALE/ TNMSC/2026 Dated:19.05.2026	19.05.2026 at 4.00 PM to 09.06.2026 upto 4.00 PM	01.06.2026 at 10.00 AM to 09.06.2026 upto 4.00 PM	09.06.2026 at 5.00 PM

The tender document can be downloaded and the tender shall be submitted at **https://tntenders.gov.in.** The tender document can also be downloaded at **www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in** for reference purpose.

DIPR/1910/Tender/2026
Tender Inviting Authority / General Manager (Drugs)

aavin **ED 1116 THE COIMBATORE DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS' UNION LIMITED**
Pachapalayam, Kalampalayam (Post), Coimbatore-641 010
Phone: 0422 – 2609899 / 2544777 ::: E- mail : aavincbe@gmail.com
Ref: 333/Mkg/Supply Route Tender/2026-29

NOTIFICATION FOR E-TENDER

The General Manager, CDCMPU Ltd., invites Two-Part e-Tenders for the "Supply of 48 Milk Distribution (Puff Insulated) Vehicles for morning and evening milk supply, 1 By-Products Distribution Vehicle, and 1 Taxi for Marketing Promotion Work" for a period of three (3) years from the date of awarding the work order. Interested bidders may download the tender document free of cost from the Tamil Nadu e-Procurement Portal at **https://tntenders.gov.in**
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EDITORIAL

"We need a lot of sophistication on the part of both India's exporters and the government to achieve and sustain a level of exports which can make us feel confident about our balance of payments

S Venkitaramanan

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— Ramnath Goenka

INDIA'S EUROPE PUSH SIGNALS STRATEGIC SHIFT LED BY TECH IMPERATIVES

THE significance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Netherlands visit, a two-day stop on his four-nation European tour, lies in its reflection of India's attempt to reposition itself in the emerging global order—not merely as a large market, but also as a trusted technological and manufacturing partner in reorganised supply chains. That thought scaffolds the elevation of bilateral ties to a strategic partnership backed by a five-year roadmap and agreements across semiconductors, critical minerals, clean energy, migration and water management. As Europe looks to reduce its dependence on China and build resilience with democracies, India can be a critical partner.

A key outcome is the Tata Electronics-ASML partnership linked to the Dholera semiconductor fab in Gujarat. The Dutch equipment giant sits at the heart of the global chip ecosystem because of its dominance in the advanced lithography machines essential for semiconductor manufacturing. India has pledged billions of dollars in incentives to build a domestic semiconductor ecosystem, with multiple projects underway. But semiconductor manufacturing requires far more than subsidies. It depends on technological trust, ecosystem depth and integration into tightly-controlled global supply chains. The Tata-ASML deal signals that India is beginning to acquire that credibility.

The timing is equally important. European semiconductor firms are seeking diversification amid US-China technology tensions. This creates a strategic convergence—Europe needs trusted manufacturing alternatives, while India needs advanced technology. The Netherlands partnership, therefore, fits into a broader geopolitical shift. Europe increasingly sees India not simply as a balancing power, but as a serious industrial and technological alternative in a fragmented global economy.

The PM's wider Europe tour reinforces that trajectory. In Sweden, the discussions focused on artificial intelligence, defence and green technology. In Norway, the talks centred on green shipping and port infrastructure, while expanding collaboration in geotechnical engineering, digital health and medical research. The momentum behind the India-EU trade agreement also underscored how economics and geopolitics are now deeply intertwined. European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen's description of the pact as the "mother of all deals" reflected Europe's intent of securing long-term strategic partnerships. The PM's ongoing visit reflects a deepening of the partnership centred on technology, advanced manufacturing, clean energy and resilient supply chains. The strategic opening is significant, but India must now build on it through policy stability, faster execution and sustained industrial competitiveness.

WIDEN POOL, SETTLE INDIAN VS FOREIGN COACH DEBATE

THERE has always been an unhealthy relation between foreign and Indian coaches in charge of hockey teams across age groups. Some Indian coaches have questioned the need for appointing "foreigners" to top mentoring positions. The trouble started in 2021, when Hockey India requested Australian Graham Reid to take charge of the junior men's team for the World Cup even though the project till then had been managed by B J Kariappa. Though the latter had hand-picked the players for the tournament, the team was handed over to Reid for that one assignment.

The issue once again reared its head last week. P R Sreejesh, the legendary custodian who after almost two years as head coach of the junior team oversaw India's third-place finish at the 2025 World Cup, had reapplied for the post. But he was instead asked to take care of a 'developmental side' or be the goalkeeping coach of the men's team, which he considered a slight. What followed was an unholy back-and-forth before HI appointed France's Frederic Soyez to look after the junior team. Whatever were the reasons for the bitterness, the broader issue isn't limited to Indian hockey or the two-time Olympic medallist.

While the country has slowly started producing medallists in various disciplines, most sports still depend on foreign hands. A fair few Indian coaches today report to their foreign counterparts. Why is it so? It takes time to build a coaching ecosystem where everything is assuredly home-bred. In a sport like hockey, only a handful of Indians have completed all coaching modules of the International Hockey Federation. Amid such a field of choices, it's not unexpected for HI to consider experts from abroad. Even in sports such as wrestling, weightlifting, shooting and badminton, cutting-edge expertise for Indian athletes is provided by foreigners. Sreejesh himself won both his Olympic medals when foreign coaches were at the helm. On the other hand, the success of shooter Manu Bhaker, who has been mentored by Jaspal Rana, is proof that Indian coaches can produce elite athletes, too. But there's no shame in admitting that local expertise needs to be complemented by foreign knowhow in a few sports. Rather than bickering, India should invest in training coaches for all sports. That would be a healthier way to settle the debate for the future.

QUICK TAKE

MAPPING INDIA

LAST week, Kami Rita Sherpa broke his own record to climb Mt Everest for an astounding 32nd time. Meanwhile, the ranks of those who do not want the world's tallest peak to be named after the Welsh geodesist who led the Trigonometric Survey are growing. Last year, a Chinese politician raised eyebrows by calling the peak by its Tibetan name, Chomolungma, over 10 times in a 20-minute speech. Some want it to be officially known by its Nepali name, Sagarmatha. Yet others want it named after Radhanath Sikdar, the mathematician who first recognised the peak as the tallest. What India can surely do is increase support for the institute named after Sikdar at Agarpara to implement the National Geospatial Policy 2022 with impeccable quality at the ground level.

Economies may need rarely-used buoys to stay afloat amid high inflation and low growth the Gulf war is pushing the world towards. The risk of falling prices is far from trivial

DESPERATE HOPE OBSCURES SPECTRE OF STAGFLATION

SATYAJIT DAS

Former banker and author of *A Banquet of Consequences*

SOURAV ROY

IN April 2026, the International Monetary Fund took the unusual step of issuing a 'reference forecast' that assumed the disruptions caused by the Gulf war would fade by mid-2026. It added "adverse" and "severe" scenarios reflecting the heightened uncertainty and several other issues confronting the global economy.

The immediate concern is inflation. The closure of the Hormuz Strait and attacks on energy facilities in Gulf Cooperation Council countries allied to the US has reduced global oil and gas supply by around 12 percent and 20 percent. It is the largest interruption in energy supplies in history, greater than the impact of the 1979 Iranian revolution, the 1973 Arab oil embargo, Saddam Hussein's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, or the Iran-Iraq war in the 1980s.

Higher energy prices feed inflation. Global energy intensity has fallen from 131 litres per $1,000 of GDP at 2025 prices in 1973 and 116 litres in 1980 to 52 litres today. While this means that the average oil burden is 60 percent lower than 50 years ago, the needs are now concentrated in critical areas without easy substitutes, like freight transport, which are less price-sensitive and non-discretionary. The full impact of higher prices on essentials will only emerge slowly as higher energy prices and shortages of petroleum derivatives, such as fertiliser and other chemicals, bleed into the economy. With the full restoration of energy and other material supplies likely to take some time after the end of hostilities, supply chains may remain constrained and prices elevated for an extended period. Higher inflation means higher rates for longer, particularly for longer maturities.

The second worry is growth. Outside of the US where manic AI investment, tax cuts and government spending is driving expansion, economic activity is stalling. In most countries, higher prices, doubt and volatility is sapping confidence. Consumption and investment are slowing. In the US, households in the bottom third by income distribution are now consuming 7 percent less, although spending by the top third remains unaffected. This K-shaped economy, where different socio-economic groups diverge, is unsustainable.

The impact will be greatest for energy importers and countries with existing fragilities, such as economies with narrowly bases, low incomes, or high debt levels. Europe, already facing challenges before the Gulf war, faces major headwinds. But Asia and Africa are likely to be the worst affected. Lower income groups are particularly vulnerable. High fuel and fertiliser costs will impact farmers, many of them living at subsistence levels. Rising diesel costs have already crippled many industries. Small street vendors will struggle to continue because of higher cooking gas and plastic container prices. Countries dependent on tourism are seeing sharp drops in bookings reminiscent of the Covid pandemic as disposable incomes drops and airfares rise.

The spectre of stagflation, low growth and high inflation, reminiscent of the 1970s also after oil shocks, hangs over the global economy. If the Iran war continues or escalates, then a worldwide recession or even depression cannot be discounted.

The damage to public finances is substantial. The military cost of the Iran "excursion" for the US alone may already be over $70 billion, though the official count is a fraction. The administration is seeking to boost defence spending by 44 percent to $1.5 trillion. The total economic costs, including costs of repairing infrastructure and human damage, interest on debt, and impact on the economy, may exceed $1 trillion. The Iraq war's total cost is now estimated at $2 trillion or more.

Subsidies or other measures to ease cost of living pressures add to government spending. Further deterioration in economic conditions will reduce tax revenues and increase welfare spending, accelerating deficits. This expenditure must be financed and will increase pressure on rates and may squeeze our other borrowers.

The combination of factors risks setting off a financial crisis. Higher rates, slow growth and concerns about government debt, already present, could trigger synchronised sell-offs across overvalued public stocks and bond markets. The threat is even greater in opaque private markets which are inherently illiquid and lack transparency.

The longer-term risk is deflation. In economics, the answer to higher prices is even higher prices. The resultant demand destruction, often long lasting, ultimately drives price lower as consumption collapses. In combination with the impact on supply and costs of Chinese industrial overcapacity and AI, the risk of falling prices is far from trivial.

Deflation would be destructive especially for indebted economies. Stagnating or falling incomes and tax revenues combined with deferred consumption and investment in anticipation of lower future prices would make meeting debt payments difficult. Real debt levels would increase—intensifying the problem. It would drive declines in asset prices which support borrowings triggering banking crises. The world has experienced debt deflation in the 1930s Great Depression, Japan's lost decades, and the aftermath of the European debt crisis in Southern Europe creating enormous financial and social hardship.

The problems are compounded by constraints on the ability of governments to take corrective measures. Many states have high levels of debt. Higher interest rates and rising interest expenses would magnify the limits. Cutting rates is difficult amidst inflationary pressures. Many central banks have bloated balance sheets in the wake of multiple rounds of quantitative easing. Money market conditions are already loose.

Policy makers may have to expand their options. This could include income and price controls. Nationalisation of certain industries to control supply chains and prices is another possibility. Financial repression, where domestic investors are forced to finance governments through the purchase of bonds issued at negative real rates, is another alternative. Explicit controls and taxes on exports and imports or financial transactions are possible. Institutional changes, such as co-operation between governments and central banks to finance spending and control currencies, may be considered. But to resort to these processes together with the realisation that the official backstop to asset prices is weak or absent could itself trigger or accelerate economic and financial instability.

Interestingly, businesses and investors seem to be oblivious to these risks. This optimism, ignorance or cognitive dissonance may turn out to be misplaced. Shakespeare noted, "Desperate times breed desperate measures"; but it may also breed desperate hope.

(Views are personal)

SLEEP-WALKING IN A POLICY DESERT

C P SURENDRAN

Author whose latest volume of poetry is *Window with a Train Attached*

WASHINGTON Irving's '*Rip Van Winkle*' is about a man who wakes up after a 20-year nap to find that the American Revolution has happened and British King George III's portrait in the village inn has been replaced with that of George Washington. The fable has implications for India today.

The world of 2014, when the present regime at the Centre assumed power, was anchored in an expansionary, hyper-globalised consensus. Immigration pathways remained fluid. Indian students poured into Canada, the UK, Australia and the US. Gulf labour migration stayed robust, anchoring the remittance-driven consumer economies of India's southern states. The diaspora became a synchronised extension of Indian soft power.

Twelve years later, like Rip Van Winkle, India is waking up to a world that has fundamentally reorganised itself. The country finds itself in a landscape where hugging diplomacy, laughter and acronymic jokes (AI as "America-India") have yielded little, except perhaps some 11th-century Chola-era copper plates.

The contemporary equivalent of Irving's American Revolution is the collapse of the Washington Consensus and the death of open-border globalisation. The geopolitical landscape has fractured. Borders have hardened, immigration has become a volatile domestic weapon and supply chains have splintered into adversarial, securitised blocs.

India pulls in over $135 billion in annual remittances—the highest in the world—with states like Kerala attracting a disproportionate share. A structural contraction in global migration directly threatens household consumption, real estate cycles and the fiscal stability of such remittance-dependent regions.

The contradictions in our somnambulistic policies are sharp. If we are still sleeping, this is a nightmare. How can BRICS function as a cohesive alternative to Western hegemony when its internal architecture is falling apart? India finds itself hosting an anti-Western bloc whose primary members back its adversaries, while chasing Gulf partnerships directly targeted by the same bloc members. If it was meant to be a balancing act, its material basis is eroding. Under intense pressure from Trump, India's cut-rate purchases of Russian crude are hit, forcing New Delhi to taper the very energy trade that funded its defiance of Western diktats.

The Iran-US war must wake us up. Can India productively absorb its elite tech and research talent if external pathways remain closed? Can IIT and IIM graduates be leveraged for domestic deep-tech innovation rather than absorbed by a saturated services and gig economy? The Economic Survey notes that R&D spending is structurally stuck at 0.6-0.7 percent of GDP, with very low private-sector participation for over a decade, while China records around 2.8 percent surpassing the average of Western economies.

AFP

> India's policy imagination seems dangerously calibrated to a bygone global order. We are not planning for a possible drought in remittances hitting household budgets. We are not building the institutions and cities capable of luring back scientists and engineers, like China did in a focused manner

We hear stentorian noises about the next great India dream: artificial intelligence. The general opinion of the world, though, is that India has missed the bus. The patriotic rhetoric surrounding AI is particularly delusional. It is sold as India's shortcut—a digital leapfrog to affluence. But AI is intensely material. The industry requires immense energy inputs and continuous cooling; semiconductor fabrication demands millions of gallons of water daily, while India faces severe groundwater depletion across its primary urban hubs like Bengaluru and Hyderabad. Regions struggling to secure basic municipal water stability are bidding for leadership in a technological domain that depends on unprecedented resource reliability.

Here the contrast with China becomes stark. Through aggressive State-directed industrial policy, China secures dominance over battery supply chains, semiconductor investments, rare-earth materials and port infrastructure. It builds institutional 'return pathways' for its diaspora—funding laboratories, providing venture capital and offering institutional prestige to repatriate scientists and engineers. Political observer Fareed Zakaria has warned that India, by contrast, risks ending up in a geopolitical no-man's land: neither firmly aligned with the West nor structurally prepared like China, and therefore unable to fully cash in on its supposed leverage.

Rip Van Winkle survives his sudden displacement into reality because his daughter takes him in. There is an existing social structure capable of reabsorbing him, however out of sync he may be. The question for India is whether its own institutional "daughter's house" exists.

If Western migration corridors continue to narrow, where do India's stranded students, underemployed engineers and globally trained researchers go? Do we possess the universities, laboratories, advanced industries and liveable cities capable of receiving them?

India recently secured an agreement for the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company to store up to 30 million barrels of crude oil in India's strategic petroleum reserves. Instead of future dependence on Iran, one of our hitherto reliable sources, we switched to its enemy without batting an eye, yet remain beset with all the vulnerabilities that come with the same Gulf corridor.

India's policy imagination remains dangerously calibrated to a bygone global order—one defined by porous borders, integrated markets and globalisation. That world is gone. The warning embedded in '*Rip Van Winkle*' is not just that a man wakes up to a changed world, but that the world has reorganised itself without him. Optimism and cultural pride are catalysts for national ambition, but in a hardened geopolitical landscape they function as lullabies, not awakening alarms.

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NEET hurdles

Ref: *NEET going digital means little* (May 18). The shift to digital format is bound to introduce formidable hurdles to candidates from underprivileged backgrounds lacking prior digital exposure. To level the playing field, it's necessary to organise digital familiarisation campaigns and concurrently run test practice centres.

N Rama Rao, Chennai

Profitable farming

Ref: *Zero farmer suicides* (May 18). Welfare measures have definitely helped farmers. But a dangerous trend is brewing with any farmer death being linked to an attempt to avail compensations. Unless agriculture is promoted as profitable, family sustenance will continue to remain a problem.

Jaikishan N, Bengaluru

Protected papers

Ref: *Silence on NEET irregularities* (May 18). The government needs to treat paper leak cases as heinous, non-bailable offences and come out with stringent protections. We can consider emulating China's Gaokao system.

Sharat Chandra Pradhan, Bargarh

Power grab

Ref: *Power bargaining* (May 18). The sinking of IRIS Dena and a less pacifist Japan disturbing the calm waters of the Pacific show that Quad has lost its moral high ground of upholding rules-based order in the Indo-Pacific. While the US and China try to avoid the Thucydides Trap, India must work to avoid the Melian Dialogue in this rivalry.

K S Mohana Murugan, email

Devotional depth

Ref: *Grace of Skanda* (May 18). Hindu literature with devotional songs are part of a rich culture which touches all aspects of human existence like an unfathomable ocean. The more you probe, more insights you get. There is boundless depth, variety and universality and this is what we come across in many of the author's writings.

P Prema, Thanjavur

Railway SOS

Ref: *Rajdhani fire* (May 18). The incident has once again exposed the recurring safety concerns for the Indian Railways. Its ageing electrical infrastructure and poor maintenance continue to remain serious risks. Increasing workload, fatigue and the ageing profile of many loco pilots and workers deserves immediate attention, too.

Shabeel M T, Kozhikode

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Abhishek Singhvi @DrAMSinghvi
My home state Rajasthan stands shamed today. Two sisters in Jodhpur lost their lives after years of alleged gangrape, blackmail and police inaction.

Priyanka Chaturvedi @priyankac19
Rupee has been on ventilator for some years now, war has exacerbated it, only reason it hasn't reached coma is because of the oxygen provided via RBI

Amit Malviya @amitmalviya
Mohammed Usman Jatt, alias "Chinese", confessed during interrogation that life in Kashmir was completely different from the false narrative fed to him

'Biggest challenge for NE growth is mindset'

Meghalaya CM says change coming through mega projects like Assam's semicon unit and soccer stadium in Shillong

MEGHALAYA'S longest-serving Chief Minister, **Conrad K Sangma**, remains steadfast in his belief that India and Bangladesh must work together in the years ahead, given the immense developmental potential for both nations. In a conversation with **Rajesh Kumar Thakur** and **Jitendra Choubey**, Sangma also addressed the situation in Manipur, noting that unless peace is fully restored, development cannot gain momentum.

Excerpts:

India has pursued the 'Look East' policy, yet it has not progressed as anticipated. How do you intend to strengthen links between Northeast India and Southeast Asia under the policy?

I disagree that the policy has stagnated. It should not be judged solely on paperwork or documentation. The Government of India remains committed to the "Look East policy", although progress has not yet reached the desired level. I believe the policy needs to be zoned. For instance, Meghalaya should have an "Act South" policy because Bangladesh lies to its south. Arunachal Pradesh could adopt a "West Act" policy, as Bhutan is situated to its west. Likewise, Nagaland, Manipur, and Mizoram should pursue an "Act East" policy given their borders with Myanmar.

From my own experience, after becoming Chief Minister in 2018, I visited different parts of Bangladesh in 2019, where I interacted with young people, entrepreneurs, and farmers to explore opportunities. There are immediate gains to be made by resetting ties, including reopening trade routes and improving connectivity along the 80-km stretch from Mahendraganj, which can significantly strengthen regional economy.

How do you think relations with Bangladesh can improve?

Verbatim

We are witnessing an abnormal situation at present, and it has to be addressed with Bangladesh. Yes, the current situation is a temporary phase, but in the long run—50 years or more from now—we will have to work with Bangladesh. This will benefit both countries. I believe there is huge potential and opportunity in this. I also see enormous scope for trade if routes are reopened. Normal economic activity should continue.

Do you think the decision of the new government in West Bengal to fence the Bangladesh border will hamper people-to-people initiatives and relations with Bangladesh?

Protecting one's nation and ensuring national security are the foremost priorities of any country. There is no reason for another nation to doubt our intention to work together simply because of certain border disputes.

Can you give an update on the discussions regarding the border dispute between Meghalaya and Assam?

In 2012, the previous government released a report identifying twelve areas of difference. So far, disputes in six of those areas have been resolved, and the Survey of India is currently delineating the actual boundaries. I remain hopeful that the remaining areas will also be addressed soon, although six of them are particularly complex. With the new government in Assam, we intend to revive discussions to find solutions.

You claim that political stability in the Northeast will encourage investment, yet Manipur has witnessed volatility in recent years, highlighted by the killing of three church leaders. How do you reconcile this with your claims?

I acknowledge that this is a major challenge that may hinder the region's full potential. However, I am actively engaged in addressing the situation in Manipur. My party is active there, and I have travelled extensively across the state to understand its complexities. There is a trust deficit that will take time to heal.

Can development in the Northeast gather pace without the return of peace to Manipur?

I do agree that unless peace is fully restored, development in Manipur cannot gather momentum. But efforts are continuing, and the public is exhausted by such violence and wishes to return to peace and prosperity. The challenges and problems in Manipur are important and must be addressed. Some elements continue to create tension. From the Centre's side, outreach has continued consistently, and large-scale efforts are still underway to restore peace. President's Rule was imposed, and I was consulted on the matter as well. When the time was right, the government was formed. I know that many measures are being undertaken to fully restore peace in Manipur. No doubt, a trust deficit has developed between the two communities, but it is gradually being bridged and will take time to heal.

What major challenges do you believe Meghalaya, in particular, and the Northeast in general, face?

In reality, the greatest challenge for the entire Northeast has been the mindset. Earlier, people believed that nothing significant could happen.

But a new level of confidence has emerged among investors, citizens, bureaucrats, and stakeholders at every level because of the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. This can be seen in the setting up of the country's largest semiconductor unit in Assam, the country's largest football stadium in Meghalaya, major road projects in Assam and Meghalaya, and numerous other initiatives.

CJI asks high courts to follow SC example, go virtual two days a week

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

CHIEF Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant on Monday said he had requested the chief justices of all the state high courts to conduct online hearings on Mondays and Fridays for the time being to reduce avoidable expenditure on fuels.

Keeping in view the West Asia crisis, the apex court judges, on May 15, during a meeting, decided to hear cases exclusively through video conference on Mondays and Fridays. The SC judges also "unanimously resolved" to encourage carpooling arrangements amongst themselves to ensure optimal fuel utilisation.

The SC's decision came following a call by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on cutting down expenditures due to the West Asia crisis. This decision is seen as a major push towards judicial cost-cutting on fuel expenses amid global geopolitical tensions. Legal experts, the bar, and others lauded the move.

Senior advocate and former Attorney General Mukul Rohatgi praised the CJI's decision, and said that using a digital format did not hinder the judicial process, adding that "every judge was extra patient" and that video conferencing proceedings went on "very smoothly". Strongly backing the CJI's initiative, Rohatgi stressed, "I also urge all the high courts to follow suit." Echoing similar views, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta said, "I join my learned friend in those submissions."

It is significant to note that on May 15, petrol and diesel rates were increased by ₹ 3 per litre. The price of compressed natural gas (CNG) went up by ₹2 per kilogram in Mumbai and Delhi and again by a rupee in Delhi on May 17.

Former Additional Solicitor General K C Kaushik told this newspaper that he was very happy with the Supreme Court's decision. "The measures will definitely help in reducing the fuel consumption and cost to a great extent."

Judges panel submits report on Justice Varma

The Judges Inquiry Committee examining allegations against Justice Yashwant Varma on Monday submitted its report to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla at Parliament House, marking a major step in the ongoing judicial accountability proceedings. It is expected to be placed before both Houses in the coming days.

House panel to review NEET paper leak case, summons test agency head

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AMID the NEET-UG row, the parliamentary panel on education has summoned National Testing Agency Chairperson Pradeep Kumar Joshi and other bureaucrats for deliberations on Thursday.

The panel will also review the NEET-UG 2026 paper leak case and implementation of reforms in the NTA, said a notice issued by the Rajya Sabha.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports will also seek the views of top education ministry bureaucrats on the reforms of NTA, which conducts centralised admission tests to various undergraduate courses.

The agenda includes a review of the implementation of the K Radhakrishnan Committee report on NTA reforms and an update on the investigation into the alleged NEET-UG paper leak case.

The panel, headed by Congress leader Digvijaya Singh, has summoned the Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Vineet Joshi, and NTA Chairperson Pradeep Kumar Joshi .

UPSC to release provisional answer key

In a first-of-its-kind move, the UPSC has decided to release the Provisional Answer Key for the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination 2026 shortly after the examination is conducted. The decision has been taken to enhance transparency in the conduct of examinations.

The NTA cancelled the NEET (UG) exam held on May 3 amid allegations of irregularities.

The panel will also deliberate on the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on education and strategies to enhance students' employability. Representatives from Anthropic India, Pratham, IIT Kanpur, Infosys and IIT Madras are among those summoned for the discussions.

In a separate session, the committee will hold discussions with the vice-chancellor of Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) and the chairperson of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI) on issues related to institutions, including implementation of reservations, vacancies and the National Education Policy (NEP).

The panel will also discuss its 379th report on action taken by the government on recommendations contained in the 365th report on Demands for Grants 2025-26 of the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

It will also take up the 380th report on action taken on recommendations contained in the 368th report on review of the functioning of the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) and teacher training initiatives under the NEP 2020.

Meanwhile, upping the ante against Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, the Congress on Monday submitted a privilege notice for allegedly lowering the dignity of Parliament by allegedly making 'derogatory remarks' at a recent press conference.

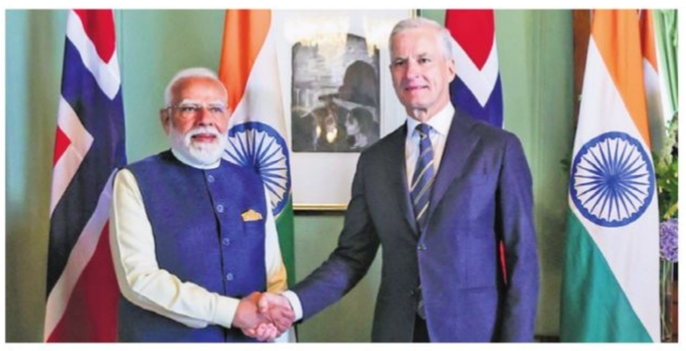
India, Europe entering golden era: PM

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said India and Europe are entering a new "Golden Era" in their relationship as India and Norway elevated bilateral ties to a Green Strategic Partnership, deepening cooperation across clean energy, maritime industries, digital technology, healthcare and emerging technologies amid global instability.

Addressing a joint media briefing with Norwegian Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Store after delegation-level talks in Oslo, Modi reiterated India's position that global conflicts cannot be resolved through military means alone and called for dialogue and diplomacy to end ongoing wars in Ukraine and West Asia. "India and Norway both believe in a rules-based order, dialogue and diplomacy. We agree that no issue can be resolved through military conflict alone," Modi said. "Be it Ukraine or West Asia, we will continue to support every effort for early end of the conflict and for peace."

The remarks came at a time of heightened geopolitical tensions and reflected New Delhi's continued emphasis on strategic autonomy and diplomatic engagement amid deepening global polarisation. PM Store echoed similar concerns over rising global fragmentation and stressed the need for stronger democratic partnerships. "I believe that cooperation delivers better results than unilateralism and isolation, especially when it comes to global challenges," Store said. "We have to stand up against those who weaponise diplomacy, who weaponise trade and who weaponise technology."



PM Narendra Modi with Norwegian counterpart Jonas Gahr Støre in Oslo, Norway | PTI

Modi reiterates stance on combating terrorism

A separate triangular cooperation agreement will see India and Norway jointly provide development and digital public infrastructure solutions to countries in the Global South. Modi also stressed the need for reforming global institutions to address emerging global challenges and reiterated India's commitment to combating terrorism.

Modi, who landed in Oslo from Sweden as part of his ongoing Europe tour, said the current global uncertainty had accelerated strategic convergence between India and Europe. "The world today is passing through instability and uncertainty. Against this backdrop, India and Europe are entering a new 'Golden Era' in their relationship," he said.

The visit, the first by an Indian prime minister to Norway in 43 years, also saw Modi being conferred Norway's highest civilian honour, the Grand Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit, by King Harald V.

Modi highlighted the India-European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement, implemented last year, as a major driver of future economic cooperation. "This agreement serves as a blueprint for ensuring shared growth, progress and prosperity between India and Norway. It sets a target of attracting investments totalling 100 billion dollars into India and creating one million jobs over the next fifteen years," he said.

The two countries announced expansion of cooperation in green transition sectors, including clean energy, climate resilience, blue economy and green shipping. India and Norway also advanced collaboration in shipbuilding, green shipping and port infrastructure, while agreeing to deepen cooperation in geotechnical engineering, artificial intelligence, medical research and health technology through new agreements. A separate triangular cooperation agreement will see India and Norway jointly provide development and digital public infrastructure solutions to countries in the Global South.

Big train mishaps down by over 90%: Railways

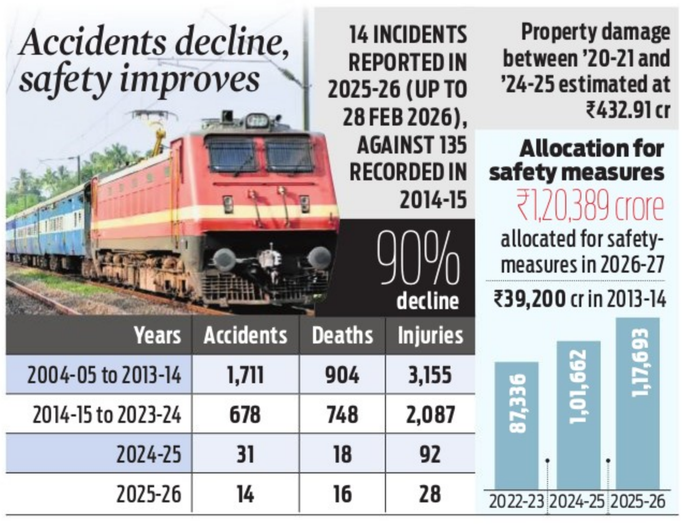
RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

WITH safety remaining the top priority of Indian Railways, consequential train accidents have declined sharply over the past decade compared with the period before 2014-15. Railway officials said on Monday that such accidents had fallen by nearly 90 percent, with only 14 incidents reported in 2025-26 up to February 28, compared with 135 in 2014-15.

Officials added that, apart from a few minor fire incidents that caused no casualties and were quickly controlled through the Railway's alert response systems, the overall safety record has improved significantly since 2014-15.

A senior Railway Ministry official said a dedicated "war room" continues to operate under the direct supervision of Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw at Rail Bhawan. The control centre monitors accidents and incidents in real time and also oversees crowd management during festive seasons at major railway stations with heavy passenger footfall.

Referring to the fire incidents reported on Sunday in Madhya Pradesh and on Monday in Bihar, the official said both situations were swiftly contained due to the Railway's alert systems, with no loss of life reported. He added that high-level inquiries had already been ordered into the incidents and that the Railways had effectively managed the situations, despite their minor nature.



Years	Accidents	Deaths	Injuries
2004-05 to 2013-14	1,711	904	3,155
2014-15 to 2023-24	678	748	2,087
2024-25	31	18	92
2025-26	14	16	28

According to Railway data, 1,711 consequential train accidents were reported between 2004-05 and 2013-14, resulting in 904 passenger deaths and injuries to 3,155 people. In comparison, between 2014-15 and 2023-24, a total of 678 consequential accidents were recorded, leading to 748 deaths and 2,087 injuries. The figures improved further in 2024-25, when only 31 consequential accidents were reported, resulting in 18 deaths and 92 injuries. In 2025-26 up to February 2026, only 14 consequential accidents were reported, resulting in 16 deaths and 28 injuries.

Railway property damage between 2020-21 and 2024-25 was estimated at ₹432.91 crore. At the same time, expenditure on safety-related works has increased substantially over the years. Official data showed that ₹1,20,389 crore has been allocated for safety-related activities in 2026-27, compared with ₹39,200 crore in 2013-14. The allocation stood at ₹87,336 crore in 2022-23, ₹1,01,662 crore in 2024-25, and ₹1,17,693 crore in 2025-26.

On measures being taken to prevent fire incidents on trains, Railway officials said that statutory fire notices have been displayed across all coaches to raise passenger awareness. Fire safety posters have also been placed in every coach to educate passengers about the dos and don'ts for preventing fire incidents.

The Railways has further ensured that newly manufactured power cars and pantry cars are being equipped with fire detection and suppression systems, while all newly built coaches are being fitted with fire and smoke detection systems.

Museum to mark former PM's birth anniversary with film shows today

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRADHANMANTRI Sangrahalaya (PMS) will celebrate the 93rd birth anniversary of former Prime Minister HD Deve Gowda on Tuesday. Along with commemorative programmes, the museum will also be celebrating International Museum Day. The programmes are designed to honour India's democratic leadership and also promote awareness regarding museums, heritage preservation, and cultural education, read a statement issued by the Prime Minister's Museum and Library (PMML) on Monday.

On this occasion, a commemorative exhibition on Gowda featuring photographs, archival documents, and his personal belongings is being organised, offering visitors an insight into his leadership and contribution. "An exhibition showcasing the ethnographic objects from the PMS collection and two short films, one on the PMS and one about Deve Gowda, will be screened during the day," said an official.

Exhibition to feature photos, archival documents

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The director of the PMML, Ashwani Lohani, said, "Through these exhibitions and special screenings, Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya seeks to strengthen public engagement with India's political history, cultural diversity, and museum heritage."

Gowda resigned as Karnataka CM on May 30, 1996, to be sworn in as the 11th PM. He was born on May 18, 1933, in Haradanahalli village of Hassan District in Karnataka. A civil engineering diploma holder, Deve Gowda plunged into active politics at the early age of 20 when he joined the Congress Party in 1953 and remained a member till 1962.

Gowda contested the Karnataka Assembly election as an independent at the age of 28. He was elected to Parliament from the Hassan Lok Sabha constituency in 1991. He became the president of the Janta Party twice at state level and president of state Janata Dal in 1994. He was elected the leader of the Janata Dal Legislative Party in 1994, and assumed office as the 14th CM of Karnataka.

GANGRAPE-SUICIDE

Two persons have been arrested in Jodhpur in connection with alleged rape of two sisters, both of whom committed suicide after repeated police complaints were allegedly ignored.

12 PEOPLE AS TRUCK COLLIDES WITH CONTAINER NEAR PALGHAR

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	43	29	Mumbai	33	29
Bhopal	42	30	Panaji	31	27
Jaipur	43	29	Patna	37	29
Amritsar	43	27	Lucknow	42	29
Chennai	37	30	Port Blair	31	28
Kolkata	37	29	Imphal	29	22
Srinagar	25	14	Chandigarh	43	27

Decades of Naxal devastation to be fixed in five years: Shah

Home minister says Bastar's image will change from a conflict zone to a centre of progress

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah, during his first visit to Bastar in Chhattisgarh after the March 31 deadline set for eliminating Maoists, said the government would reverse the damage caused by six decades of Naxal insurgency and compensate for the losses over the next five years.

"I can declare with my head held high that India is now Naxal-free. The pledge to create a Maoist-free India was taken on August 24, 2024, and this resolve was fulfilled well before March 31," Shah affirmed. He added that the dream of a 'developed India by 2047' remains incomplete without a 'developed Bastar'.

On Monday, the government launched a new initiative to change Bastar's image from a conflict zone into a centre for welfare and development. Shah inaugurated the Shaheed Veer Gundadhur Seva Dera Jan Suvidha Kendra at Netanar village, the birthplace of tribal martyr Veer Gundadhur. The centre was built in the same place where Maoists had killed six security personnel.

Shah said that although India became independent in 1947, "the dawn of true freedom in Bastar has effectively risen only after March 31, 2026," after the collapse of Maoist influence in the region.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah interacts with tribal leaders of Bastar on Monday

"For over six decades, the Bastar region has endured severe economic, social, and cultural setbacks due to prolonged Maoist insurgency. The BJP government under PM Narendra Modi will address these deep-rooted challenges and compensate for these losses over the next five years," he said.

The government also announced a major restructuring of security camps in Bastar. Out of 196 camps, 70 will be converted into Common Service Centres, or Jan Seva Kendras, within the next one and a half years. These centres will provide welfare services directly to tribal communities. Banking facilities, Aadhaar cards, ration cards, and disbursal of benefits under government schemes will be available there. People will also get access to 371 schemes run by the state and central governments through one centre.

Shah said the aim of ending Naxalism was not only to defeat insurgents but also to ensure healthcare, welfare services, and public facilities for tribal communities.

During his visit, Shah also went to Amar Vatika in Jagdalpur and paid tribute to more than 1,000 security personnel killed in the fight against Left Wing Extremism in Bastar.

Earlier, he flagged off Chhattisgarh's upgraded AI-powered Dial 112 emergency response service and new mobile forensic vans. The Dial 112 service, launched in 2018 in 16 districts, has now been expanded to all 33 districts. The rollout included 400 emergency response vehicles, 33 surveillance vehicles, and 60 highway patrol vehicles. Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai, Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Sharma, Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan, Intelligence Bureau Director Tapan Deka, and other officials accompanied Shah.

Officials said the transformation of security camps into welfare centres would help improve trust between tribal communities and the administration. The expanded emergency services and forensic infrastructure were also described as part of a broader effort to strengthen law enforcement, improve response systems, and increase access to government support in remote and conflict-affected areas across Chhattisgarh.

UP approves commission to decide OBC reservation in 3-tier rural body polls

Empirical study

The panel will conduct a contemporary, empirical study of the social and political backwardness of backward classes to inform reservations in Panchayat elections.

Quota based on findings

Based on the commission's findings, the Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath-led state govt will implement the reservation system for the Panchayat elections

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE Yogi Adityanath Cabinet on Monday approved the constitution of the "Uttar Pradesh State Local Rural Bodies Dedicated Backward Class Commission" to determine reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the state's three-tier rural local bodies. The commission was approved in compliance with Supreme Court orders and has been directed to submit its report within six months.

The commission will conduct a contemporary, empirical study of the social and political backwardness of backward classes to inform reservations in Panchayat elections. Sharing details of the Cabinet decision, UP Finance Minister Suresh Kumar Khanna said the state government had approved the formation of the commission for providing reservation to OBCs in three-tier Panchayat elections.

Khanna said the commission would study the status of backward classes in the state, including their population, social representation, and participation in Panchayats. The report will include recommendations for determining proportionate reservation and must be submitted within six months. The Finance Minister said provisions for reservation in Panchayats already existed under the Uttar Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1947, and the Uttar Pradesh Kshetra Panchayat and Zila Panchayat Act, 1961. Reservation for backward classes should not exceed 27 percent of the total posts, and updated figures may be determined through surveys if population data is unavailable.

The commission will have five members nominated by the state government. A retired High Court judge will head the panel, with experts on backward class issues serving as members. Final reservation in Panchayats will be decided on the basis of the commission's report and recommendations.

RANCHI DIARY

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Salima to lead women's hockey team in Oz

Three players from Jharkhand have secured spots in Indian women's hockey team squad for the upcoming tour of Australia. Star player Salima Tete has been entrusted with the team's captaincy, while Nikki Pradhan and Deepika Soreng have also been included in the squad. The selection of these three players from the state has created an atmosphere of joy among sports enthusiasts and within the hockey fraternity in Jharkhand. The Indian women's hockey team is scheduled to play a four-match series in Perth, Australia, from May 26 to May 30.

MBBS and PG seats increased in the state

In a major boost to medical education and healthcare infrastructure in Jharkhand, the Centre has given its approval to increase MBBS and postgraduate seats in two of the state's key medical institutions. The number of MBBS seats has been raised from 100 to 250 at Shaheed Nirmal Mahto Medical College and Hospital in Dhanbad, while MGM Medical College has also received approval for a substantial increase in undergraduate medical seats. In addition to that, the Centre has sanctioned ₹225 crore for strengthening MBBS infrastructure and seat capacity enhancement as part of the expansion initiative. Of the total amount, ₹ 135 crore, which will be contributed by the Centre.

1st franchise-based T20 cricket league in state

Jharkhand is all set to host its first-ever franchise-based professional T20 cricket league, with the inaugural edition likely to commence in the first week of June. The Jharkhand State Cricket Association has authorised SJ Uplift to run the tournament under a seven-year agreement, marking the introduction of a franchise-based cricket model in the state. The maiden season is expected to feature six men's teams, while a parallel women's league comprising three teams will also be organised to provide greater exposure and opportunities to females. cricketers from the state. All matches will be open to spectators free of charge in an effort to encourage public engagement.

Twisha's parents demand second autopsy at Delhi hospital, probe by CBI

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

A ₹10,000 bounty has been declared on Bhopal-based lawyer Samarth Singh, accused in the May 12 death of his wife, Twisha Sharma, an MBA graduate, former Miss Pune, Telugu film actor, and model. Samarth, son of retired Bhopal district and sessions court judge Giribala Singh, is absconding in the dowry death and harassment case registered at Katara Hills police station.

Twisha, 31, was found hanging at her marital home in Katara Hills on May 12 and later died in the hospital. Her in-laws claim suicide, while her Noida-based maternal family alleges murder for dowry. The family has demanded a second autopsy at AIIMS-Delhi and a CBI probe, expressing dissatisfaction with the AIIMS-Bhopal postmortem.

The postmortem reportedly stated death occurred due to antemortem hanging by ligature and noted multiple simple antemortem injuries caused by possible blunt force. Twisha's family staged protests in Bhopal and Delhi, refusing the last rites until their demands are met. Giribala Singh denied dowry allegations, claiming Twisha used marijuana and underwent psychiatric treatment.

SIT FORMED

1. Twisha was found hanging at her marital home in Bhopal on May 12
2. The autopsy cited antemortem hanging by ligature as cause of death
3. A six-member SIT has been formed to probe it

While Giribala Singh secured anticipatory bail, Samarth's similar plea was rejected on Monday, prompting police to announce the reward and initiate lookout circular proceedings. Police said multiple teams are searching for him. A six-member SIT has also been formed to investigate the case.

Bengal scraps religion-based aid, OBC list

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

MARKING a major policy shift, the West Bengal Cabinet on Monday decided to discontinue religion-based assistance to imams & others, roll out the 'Annapurna' financial support scheme for women and set up two panels to look into cases of corruption & crimes against women during the TMC rule.

The Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari, also approved the scrapping of the existing state OBC list and the constitution of the Seventh State Pay Commission to revise state employees' salaries upward.

Announcing the state government's decisions, Women, Child, and Social Welfare Minister Agnimitra Paul said all decisions will take effect starting June 1. "The Cabinet has approved the discontinuation of schemes based on religious categorisation. A notification on this will be issued," Paul said. She, however, added that existing scholarship schemes for students would continue.

Paul said the government would cancel the existing OBC list of the state in accordance with a 2024 Calcutta HC judgment. The minister added that the state would set up a panel to decide quota eligibility under the OBC category.

Trucks stranded in Manipur amid Kuki, Naga blockades

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

AS the Manipur "hostage" crisis involving the Kuki and Naga communities continued, church leaders stepped forward to help broker peace. Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh praised their efforts to ease tensions between the two tribal groups.

The tensions escalated after the killings of three tribal church leaders in Kangpokpi district. Following the violence, people from both communities were held captive by each other. Later, Nagas released 14 Kuki civilians, while Kukis also freed 14 Naga individuals.

However, Kuki organisations claimed that 14 more Kuki people were still missing. Naga groups said six of their people, including two pastors, could not be traced. Meanwhile, hundreds of trucks remained stranded for the fifth straight day because of a "total shutdown" enforced by the Kuki Inpi Manipur (KIM) in Kuki areas and an "economic blockade" imposed by the United Naga Council in Naga regions.

KIM announced the shutdown to protest the killings of the church leaders and the government's failure to rescue the missing Kukis. The UNC imposed the blockade over the government's inability to rescue six Naga civilians.

Church leaders offer to broker peace

A ten-member delegation of church leaders from the Council for Baptist Churches in North East India and the Manipur Baptist Convention met Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh on Monday to discuss the worsening situation. According to an official statement, the leaders volunteered to mediate between the two sides and work toward restoring peace.

Truck drivers stranded mainly in Imphal Valley and the Senapati district appealed for safe passage. "We have been stuck for the past five days and facing an acute shortage of food and drinking water," one driver said. "Some people helped us with rice and dal, but that was not enough," he added. Another driver urged the government to provide security escorts. "We have ferried goods across the Northeast, yet have suffered like this. Bandhs in Manipur are unpredictable and sudden," he expressed.

Meanwhile, a 10-member delegation of church leaders from the Council for Baptist Churches in North East India and the Manipur Baptist Convention met Singh on Monday to discuss the worsening situation. According to an official statement, the leaders volunteered to mediate between the two sides and work toward restoring peace. Singh said he was deeply touched by the church leaders' visit and their willingness to help during the crisis. The church leaders decided to form two peace mission teams. One team will travel to the Kuki-majority Kangpokpi district, while the other will visit the Naga-majority Senapati district.

"The church leaders strongly feel that hostages on both sides need to be released on humanitarian grounds urgently," the statement said.

Tourism looks up in J&K, trekkers keep away

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THOUGH tourism is gradually rebounding in Kashmir post last year's Pahalgam attack, adventure tourism is struggling as the trekking routes in the Valley remain off-limits, affecting the livelihood of hundreds who depend on it. Tourism stakeholders believe that the reopening of the trails could boost tourist inflow to the region by at least 20%.

Rouf Tramboo, president of the Adventure Tour Operators Association of Kashmir (ATOAK), said the continued closure of trekking is causing tremendous distress among the nearly 200 adventure tour operators operating in the Valley.

The government has identified 75 trekking routes with the key trails, including the Kashmir Great Lakes (KGL) Trek in Sonamarg; Kolahoi Glacier Trek, Tarsar-Marsar Trek in Pahalgam; Tosamaidan-Yusmar; Dara-Pahalgam; Dara-Sonamarg; and Warwan Valley in Kishtwar, he said.

The government has identified 75 trekking routes with the key trails | EXPRESS

Since the April 22, 2025, Pahalgam terror attack in which 25 tourists and a local ponywala were killed, trekking has been completely stopped.

According to Tramboo, adventure tourism is a youth-driven sector providing widespread employment. "Hundreds of young people registered as adventure operators, underwent professional training, and invested heavily in infrastructure and equipment. Many sold personal assets or took loans. When they were beginning to reap the benefits, the Pahalgam attack disrupted everything," he said.

According to adventure tour operators, the Valley had emerged as a thriving adventure tourism destination in the last few years. The Forest Department even made huts available along trekking routes, signalling government support.

After the Pahalgam attack last year, authorities closed tourist destinations and trekking for a security audit. While closed tourist spaces have been reopened in phases following security audits, trekking trails remain shut.

"While we start our bookings in February, and the months of June, July, and August are crucial for earning our livelihood," Tramboo said, "adventure tourism is community-based and provides jobs right at local doorsteps." He noted that the closure has pushed over 200 adventure tour operators into financial hardship, with many unable to pay their bank loans and accounts turning into NPAs." Hundreds of families are directly or indirectly dependent on adventure tourism for their livelihood.

Sajad Ahmad Kralyari, Secretary General of the Travel Agents Association of Kashmir (TAAK), said they are receiving queries from tourists specifically about trekking, but they are putting bookings on hold.

Ibrahim Raina, owner of Kashmir Mountain Magic, said his business has come to a standstill.

BJP wants Punjab to emulate Naidu, offer rewards to couples for more kids

HARPREEET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

WITH the aim of reversing Punjab's declining demographic trend and falling fertility rate, former bureaucrat and Punjab BJP state general secretary Dr Jagmohan Singh Raju has shot off a communiqué to CM Bhagwant Mann to announce financial incentives for young Sikh couples on the lines of the Andhra Pradesh model for having four children.

Recently, Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu has announced cash incentives on the birth of a third and fourth child aimed at reversing the state's falling fertility rate. Raju said, "Every Sikh family in Punjab should have four children."

In the letter, Raju wrote that the Sikh community is a constitutionally recognised minority in India. "According to NFHS data, the fertility rate among Sikhs is the lowest among the country's major communities. As a result, the Sikh population has been continuously declining. It is a matter of concern that the share of Sikhs in Punjab's population has decreased from 62.95% in 1991 to 57.69% in the 2011 Census, and indications suggest that this trend is continuing." This demographic decline is a serious matter of concern for the social and cultural future of the Sikh community in Punjab, he added.

To encourage population growth among Sikhs, I propose that the Punjab govt consider implementing financial incentives similar to the model announced by Andhra Pradesh

Jagmohan Singh Raju, Punjab BJP

"To encourage population growth among Sikhs, I propose that the Punjab government should seriously consider implementing financial incentives similar to the model recently announced by the Andhra Pradesh government — ₹30,000 for the third child and ₹40,000 for the fourth child — so that young families may receive support and the declining Sikh population trend may be checked," the letter adds.

It further states that such a step would help preserve the social, cultural, and demographic strength of the Sikh community, a patriotic community.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Mr. SHANKAR I P** is the absolute owner of the following Property, while shifting his House From No. 17, C.L. Ramaiah Township, Kaval Byrasandra-Shampura, Bengaluru-560045 to Flat No. D 604, R and S Koncept Lakeview, Rachenahalli Main Road, Near Aravind Sporcia, Hebbal Bangalore-560077, has irretrievably lost the below mentioned Original documents:

1. Unregistered General Power of Attorney & Affidavit Dated: 15/07/1985,
2. Unregistered General Power of Attorney, Agreement of Sale & Affidavit Dated: 16/09/1992,
3. Agreement of Sale Dated: 11/07/1994, Unregistered General Power of Attorney & Affidavit Dated: 12/09/1994, in respect of Site No. 17, formed out of Survey No.2, Situated in C.L. Ramaiah Township, Kaval Byrasandra-Shampura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No-32, and has filed Police Complaint Lost Report bearing **No. 2207063/2026 and 2207461/2026, Dated: 17/05/2026.**

If any Person/s have/has found the said Original documents kindly inform the undersigned within 14 days.

Sd/- MAHESH BABU, Advocate,
No.103, Shampura, A.C. Post,
Bengaluru - 560045.
Mob: 8892832602/9620206798

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR LOST DOCUMENT

My Client **Smt.INDRANI.P,** Aged about 51 years, W/o.Sri.S.K.Palani, Residing at No.55/A, 594, 4th Cross, G.R. Homes, Choodasandra, Huskur, Bangalore - 560 099, **Aadhaar No.5409 2638 8299** has irretrievable **lost the original Rectification Deed dated 25-09-2023, Registered as Document No.SRJ-1-05599/2023-24, of Book-1, Registered at the Office of Sub-Registrar, Sarjapura, Bangalore.** My Client son Sri.Gowtham has lodged a Police Complaint for lost article on 18/05/2026, under acknowledgment issued by the Bangalore City Police, bearing SL No.2207761, Lost Report No.2207761/2026.

If any person/s found the **Rectification Deed dated 25-09-2023** please come forward with in a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice and hand over the same to the under signed, will be suitably rewarded. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using the missing document, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this paper publication. Else there won't be any further claims from thereon.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site NO.56, Old Khatha No.305/51/2/56/57, New Khatha Sl.No.471, Assessment No.51/2, Property No.56, Measuring East to West 40 feet, North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 square feet, situated at Choodasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded as follows:-

East by : Road, West by : Site No.25, North by : Site No.57, South by : Site No.55,

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BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer, Chamarajpet Division, 2nd Main, T.R. Mill Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.

No: EE/CRP/KPPP/TEND/05/2026-27 Date: 18-05-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Single Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal Only)

Executive Engineer, Chamarajpet Division, BCCC, Zone-2, Bengaluru, invites item rate Tender from registered Contractors in BCCC / KPWD / Electrical / CPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Government Organizations for the Work detailed below.

(Standard Tender Document - KW-1 & KW-2)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Preparation of Safety Measures on Occasion of Honourable Chief Minister of Karnataka Visit to Bakrid Festival Prayer at Edgah Mydan, Chamarajpet Ward No. 158. **Approximated Amount of Works (Rs. in Lakhs): 6.90, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 17,250/-**

Calendar of Events: **1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 2)** Last Date for Uploading the Filled Proposals is **26-05-2026 upto 11.00 AM. 3)** Date of Opening of Financial Proposals is **27-05-2026 after 11.30 AM.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, Chamarajpet Division, BCCC.

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LIMITED

(A Government of India Undertaking)

TENDER NOTICE

On behalf of Regional Railway Manager, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. Karwar, Senior Regional Engineer invited following open tender on ireps.gov.in system.

Sr. No. 1. Name of the work : Geophysical investigation of the Pernem tunnel to ascertain the starta behind the lined portion and identify the development of any cavity in the SEN/Madgaon section of Konkan Railway in Goa State. **Tender No : KR-KW-OL-W-2026-08-RB-RT1. Cost of the work :** ₹82.39/- Lakh (Excluding GST), **Closing Date & time** : 04/06/2026 at 15:00 Hrs.

Sr. No. 2. Name of the work : Deweeding of Madgaon and Verna Yard for period of 2 years under SSE/P.way/Madgaon Section in Goa State. **Tender No : KR-KW-OL-W-2026-23-RB. Cost of the work :** ₹ 18.19/- Lakh (Excluding GST), **Closing Date & time** : 04/06/2026 at 15:00 Hrs.

Sr. No. 3. Name of the work : Clearing of vegetation including cutting of trees on slopes of cutting in SSE/P.way/Udupi section in Karnataka State. **Tender No : KR-KW-OL-W-2026-24-RB. Cost of the work :** ₹ 33.68/- Lakh (Excluding GST), **Closing Date & time** : 04/06/2026 at 15:00 Hrs.

For further details, contact Office of Sr. Regional Engineer, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. Karwar. For more details visit (https://www.ireps.gov.in)

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ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2023-24 / 2024-25 & 2025-26

Dear members,

The AGM of MNHS Ltd will be held on **07-06-2026 on Sunday** 09.30 a.m at **MAHESHWARI BHAVAN,** Okalipuram Main Road, Opp. LULU MALL, Bangalore-560021 We request the Legitimate members of society to be present and give your valuable suggestion for the betterment of our society.

On the order from the Board of Directors
Secretary
Sd/- (Akash Ranka)

Date: 18-05-2026
Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client **MR. PAUL JOSEPH** [Aadhar No.4692 4933 1307], Aged about 66 years, S/o Late. Col. M.P. Joseph @ Brigadier M. P. Joseph @ Brig. Mampilly Paul Joseph and Late. Diamond Joseph Mampilly, residing at No.A-503, Garden Mansion Old Airport Road, Kodihalli, HAL II Stage, Bangalore -560008 is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property and have lost the Original Absolute Sale Deed dated 23-07-1966 registered as document bearing No.1311/1966-67, Book-I, Volume No.1329, Pages 241-250, dated 02-08-1966 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore while traveling by two wheeler from his residence i.e., HAL II Stage to Kammanahalli between 5.30 PM to 6.30 PM on 14-05-2026. Hence my client has lodged E-Lost Report / Complaint No.2204842/2026 on 15th May 2026 for tracing of the said document.

Any person who finds the said document shall hand the same to the undersigned Advocate and the person will be rewarded suitably.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing New Municipal No.20 having E-Aasthi PID No.7161684619 in Ward No.59-Maruthi Sevanagar, Situated at MSO Colony, Bangalore, (earlier Doddi Gunta, Jeevanahalli Village Civil Station, Bangalore), measuring On the East : 112 Feet, On the West : 42 Feet, On the North : 120 Feet and On the South : 100 Feet, totally measuring 8470 Square Feet and bounded on:

East by : 30 Feet Road,
West by : Site No.15,
North by : Banaswadi Road,
South by : Site No.21.

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NORTH WESTERN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

CENTRAL OFFICES, HUBBALLI-580030 Tel: 0836-2333058 Website: nwkrtc.karnataka.gov.in

No. NWKSRTC/KK/Hubli/Mechanical/T-42/819/2026-27 Date: 18-05-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO:05/ME/2026-27 DATE:18.05.2026

Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal

Tenders, both Pre-qualification & Commercial offers (Two Tender Document System) through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal are invited from the interested bidders.

Sl No	Tender No.	Description of Tender Details with approx. value
1	T-42 NWKRTC/2026-27/IND0211 Dated:14.05.2026	For the supply of 80 Nos. of new BS-VI fully built Type-II NDX Double Door Buses, built on 5334mm to 5340mm WB chassis required for North Western Karnataka Road Transport Corporation (NWKRTC). **(Tender value Rs. 32.00 Crore)**

Last date & time for submission of Tender through e-portal: **03-06-2026** up to **17.30 hrs.**

For details visit **website:http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Or Contact Mobile Nos. **7760993225/7022009931**

Sd/- Chief Mechanical Engineer,
(Tender Inviting Authority)

DIPR/Dharwad/192/Manipal/2026-27

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby notified that our client Sri.Chandra Chari is the absolute owner of the schedule property described infra.

The original Hakku Patra dated 08.07.2009 / 16.07.2009 issued by the Tahsildar (under Ashraya Yojana) (Government of Karnataka) in favour of Smt.Lakshmi, son of Sri.Venkatesh, concerning the Schedule Property is lost/misplaced. In this connection, a police complaint has been lodged on 15.05.2026, vide Report No.2205066/2026 with the Police Station, Bangalore.

Any person finds the document may handover the same to the undersigned within 7 days from this day. If the said document is misused by anybody, it shall not be binding on our client and they shall be doing so at their own costs and risks.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Site bearing No.6, Property No.14, BBMP Katha No.181/14/16, E.P.I.D No.4115942665, situated at Nagareshwara Nagenahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, within the revenue limits of BBMP, Bangalore, admeasuring East to West : 30 Feet, and North to South : 20 Feet, totally measuring 600 Square Feet, and bounded as follows:

East by : Private Property
West by : Road
North by : Site No.7
South by : Site No.5

M/s.MA & CO
Advocates and Consultants
#2934/B, 2nd Floor, M.K.K. Road, "D" Block, Rajajinagar II Stage, Bangalore – 560010.
Contact Nos.6362653681 & 8095521852

SUNDARAM HOME

— Sundaram Finance Group —

Regd Office: No. 21, Patullos Road, Chennai - 600 002.
Corporate Office: Sundaram Towers, No. 46, Whites Road, Chennai - 600 014.
Branch Office: Old No. 1947, New No. 19, 2nd Floor, 9th Block, 28th Main, South 'D' Main Road, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 069.

POSSESSION NOTICE

Issued Under Sec 13(4) read with Appendix IV and Rule 8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Whereas the authorized officer of **SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices calling upon the Borrower, Co-Borrower and the to repay the amount along with further interest, cost and other charges ect, if any till actual date of payment. notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the notices. The Borrower (S) having failed to repay the amount in full, notice is hereby given to the Borrower (S) and the public in general that the Authorised Officer has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act with Rule 8 of the Sarfaesi Act. The borrower(S) attention is invited to provision of subsection (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The Borrower(S) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with Secured property shall be subject to the charge of **SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD.**

Sl. No.	File Nos.	Borrowers & Co-Borrowers Name and Address	Date of Demand Notice/Publication	Notice Amount	Date of Possession	Total Outstanding
1	BJN20 170016	**Mr. Yatheesh R Thubgere (Borrower) Mrs. Chethana S (Co-Borrower)** No 787, 2nd Floor 3rd Main 2nd Phase 5th Stage Beml Layout, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore-560098	08-02-2026	Rs. 23,72,084/-	13-05-2026	Rs. 24,70,524/-
2	BJN20 170123		08-02-2026	Rs. 6,08,502/-	13-05-2026	Rs. 6,27,049/-

Schedule of Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Flat bearing No.S-2, On Second Floor, Having 1470 Sq.feet Super built up area, along with 455 Sq Feet UDS constructed on property bearing site No.119/A, PID No.10-69-119/A, Situated Mahalakshmi Layout Firther Extension, Bangalore - 560086, Measuring East to West 15.24 Mtrs and North to South 21.3+23.77/2, Bangalore. Boundries of the Entire Land. **Bounded on the:** North By : Road, South By: Road, East By: Site No.120, West By: Site No.119. Boundries of the Flat S-2. **Bounded on the:** North By: Road, South By: Flat No.S-1, East By: Site No.120, West By: Site No.119. Which is more fully and particularly described in the Title Deed No.5676/15-16.

Date: 13-05-2026

for SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD
Authorised officer

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK

(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mr. Manjunath C S/o. Channarayappa 2) Mrs. Chaithra, W/o K Manjunath C 3) Mr. Channarayappa, S/o Venkatagiriyappa	Loan Account No. 46650430000375 & 46659410001222 Loan Amount Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.2,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.32/10/55, Situated at Shivanapura Village, Comes within the purview of Shivanapura Grama Panchayath, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Measuring East-West 68 feet, North- South 91 Feet, totally Measuring 6188 Sqfts and **bounded on:- East by:** Property of Lokesh, **West by:** House of Muniyappa, **South by:** Road, **North by:** Talavara Channappa.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16.05.2026	Rs.7,00,717/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Seven Hundred Seventeen Only) due as on 13-05-2026
2	1) Mr. Pandurangaiah, S/o. Chikkarangaiah, 2) Mrs. Parvathamam, W/o Govindaraju, 3) Mrs. Padma W/o Pandurangaiah	Loan Account No. 47050430000793 & 47059410001140 Loan Amount Rs. 5,00,000/- Rs. 2,06,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property Khaneshumari No.475/191/422, Measuring East to West 16.7639 meters and North to south 8.6867 meters, Situated at Herandyapanahalli Village, Herandyapanapalli Grama Panchayath, Kodihalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramangara District and **boundaries on:- East by:** Road, **West by:** Property belongs to Huchhireshetty, **South by:** House Belongs to Puttaramaiah, **North by:** House belongs to Muniraiah.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16.05.2026	Rs.6,16,367.09/- (Rupees Six Lakh Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Seven And Nine Paisa Only) due as on 13-05-2026
3	1) Mrs. Anitha P D/o. Kempegowda, 2) Mrs. Savithramma W/o Kempegowda, 3) Mr. Kempegowda S/o Kullegowda	Loan Account No. 47050440000095 & 47059410000927 Loan Amount Rs. 5,00,000/- Rs. 2,38,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the PropertyE Khatha No.152900200200320056 Khaneshumari No 35, measuring East to West 11.43 meters and north to south 19.20 meters, situated at kamsagara village,kabbalu dhakle, kabbalu grama panchayath, sathunuru Hobli, kanakapura taluk, Ramangara District and **Bounded On:- East by:** House Belongs to Savithramma, **West by:** Road, **South by:** Rajabeedi, **North by:** Peroperty belong to Ramaiah.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16.05.2026	Rs.6,27,219/- (Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen Only) due as on 13-05-2026
4	1) Mrs. Sarojamma, W/o. Maregowda, Also at… Sri Veerabhadreshwara Tea Stall And Mineral Water, 2) Mr. Maregowda, S/o Kempegowda	Loan Account No. 45350430000097 & 45359410001990 Loan Amount Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.2,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing E-Khatha No.152900203201100185, Khaneshumari No.24/24, measuring East to west 4.57 meters and North to South 15.24 meters, totally measuring 69.68 square meters situated at Garalapura Village, Arakere Grama panchayath, Kodihalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **bounded on: East by:** Own Property, **West by:** House belongs to Jayamma, **North by:** Property belongs to Balegowda, **South by:** Road.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16.05.2026	Rs.6,39,102.99/- (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand One Hundred Two and Ninety Nine Paisa Only) due as on 13-05-2026
5	Mr. Bairappa C S/o Chandra, Mrs. Gowramma W/o Chandra	Loan Account No. 47040430000650 Loan Amount Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Site No.213, Door All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property No.22, SL. No.115, measuring East to West 9.1463 and North to South 12.182 situated Gollaradoddi Village, Mullahalli Gram Panchayat, Mullahalli Dhakle, Uyyamballi Hobali, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** House belongs to Nagamma, **North by:** House belongs to Muddiiraiah, **South by:** Road.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16.05.2026	Rs.4,28,004.77 (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Four and Seventy Seven Paisa Only) due as on 13-05-2026
6	Mr. D.B.Rajanna S/o. Bajjappa Mr. H.Bajjappa S/o. Obalappa	Loan Account No. 30139630000296 Loan Amount Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property Bearing No.210, Janjaru No.222, Situated at Doddagubbi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Presently comes under the limits of Doddagubbi Village Panchayath and **bounded on the: East by:** Property of Mariyappa, **West by:** Obalappa, **North by:** Own Vacant Property, **South by:** Road. Measuring 24x33 feet	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16-05-2026	Rs.1,01,964.88/- (Rupees One Lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Four and Eighty Eight Paisa Only) due as on 13-05-2026
7	Mrs. Gurulakshamamma, W/o Muniraju Mr. Muniraju, S/o Boganangaiah	Loan Account No. 47050430001004 Loan Amount Rs.4,30,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property Bearing E- Khatha No.152900401601100387 Khaneshumari No.74/43, measuring East to West 12.8016 meters, North to South 7.01040 meters, situated at Kempaiahnapalya Village, Kanchugaranahalli Gram Panchayat, Ramanagara Block, Ramanagara District and **bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Kumar, **West by:** House belongs to Bhoga Nanjappa, **North by:** House belongs to Shanthamma, **South by:** House belongs to Muniraju.	Date of NPA: 04-05-2026 Demand Notice Date: 16-05-2026	Rs.4,04,250.77/- (Rupees Four Lakh Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty and Seventy Seven Paisa Only) due as on 13-05-2026

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 18-05-2026, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

Canara Bank

A Government of India Undertaking

ARM Branch– II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Telephone numbers 080-25310181 – e-mail – cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the **ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of will be sold on **24.06.2026 from 01.00 PM. to 03.00 PM. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. **(₹. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Properties (Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned)	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & EMD	Incremental value at the Bid
1.	**(1) M/s Proculture Farms and Foods (P) Ltd.,** No.2, 11th Cross, Brindavan Layout Horamavu, Bengaluru-560043. **(2) Mr. Chandra Paul Koppalu,** Flat No.303, J R Arcade, 2nd Cross, J R Layout, Chelekere, Kalyannagar, Bengaluru. **(3) Mr. Eugene Sumanth Martin,** No.684, 7th Cross, 3rd Phase, J P Nagar, Bengaluru-560078. **(4)Mr. K Venkata Subramanyam** S/o Mr. K Radhakrishnaiah, No.36-3-1A, Beside Halu Veerasagara Main Road, Attur, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.	Rs. 9,37,78,567.62 (Rupees Nine crores Thirty seven lakhs Seventy eight Thousand Five Hundred Sixty seven and Sixty two paisa only) plus further interest thereon from 03.05.2026	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing southern portion of the Site No. 01 Southern Portion, old Gramatana Assessment No.36/3 and Measuring about East to West 58 feet and North to South 42'6 feet and totally measuring about 2465 sq.ft and now the said property stands with in the limits of BBMP Bangalore and assigned to new municipal No. 251/1151/36/3/1 of Attur division and sital area consists stilt, ground ,first and second floors residential building with having all civic amenities and Bounded on : East By: House belongs to M Muniyappa, West By: Property belongs to M Muniyappa, North By: Norther portion of the property bearing No.1,belongs to Ramamurthy, South By: Road. Total extent of Site: 2465 Sq.ft, Type of Property: Residential Building having GF+3 Upper floors. **Property in the name of : K V Subramanyam.**	24.06.2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m	Reserve Price Rs. 293.68 Lakhs EMD Rs. 29.37 Lakhs	Rs. 1,00,000/-

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.**(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.**(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **23.06.2026**, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. **(i)** Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. **(iii)** Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.1,00,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. (i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach **Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru,** who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act

For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2, (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181), e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) e-mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 18.05.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised officer
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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described Immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-2 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 24.06.2026 from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale],** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **23.06.2026.** **(₹. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Details and Full Description of the Property	Reserve Price & EMD
1.	**(1) M/s Basaveshwara Enterprises** 82/2, 5th Cross, Kallahalli, Mandya - 571401 **(2) Mruthyunjaya M S/o Bangaraiah,** 1529 5th Cross, Kallahalli, Mandya -571401 **(3) Sudha Mani S L** Prop of Basaveshwara Enterprises W/o Mruthyunjaya M, No.1529 5th cross Kallahalli, Mandya-571401 **(4) Adarsh M S/o Mruthyunjaya M** 1529 5th Cross, Kallahalli, Mandya -571401	Rs. 1,04,44,656.70 (Rupees One Crore Four Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Six and Seventy Paise only) plus further interest thereon from 03.05.2026 and other expenses	All that part and parcel of the Residential land bearing Khatha NO D2/1834/K-82 PID No 6-2-514-138 measuring East to West 6.096012 mtrs & 3.048006 mtrs, North to South 12.192024+12.801626/2mtrs & 9.144018 mtrs. Total extent of the plot 1430 Sq.ft, situated at 5th Cross, Kallahally, Mandya-571401. bounded on: East by: 6-2-514-136 and 6-2-514-136B, West by: 6-2-515-169, North by: Road, South by: 6-2-514-136B and 6-2-514-138A.	Reserve Price Rs.42.90 Lakhs EMD Rs.4.29 Lakhs
			All that part and parcel of the Residential land bearing Induvalu grama Panchayath Khatha and assessment No 315/315/5, E- Khatha No 152100406400500819 measuring East to West 9.144 mtrs and North to South 12.192 mtrs, Total extent of the plot 1200 Sq.ft situated at Sundahalli Village , Kothathi Hobli, Mandy-571402. bounded on: East by: Site No 4, West by: Site No 6, North by: Road, South by: Road.	Reserve Price Rs.9.60 Lakhs EMD Rs.0.96 Lakhs

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer. **(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **23.06.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. **(i)** Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. **(iii)** Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com (f) EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.25,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs)** and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. **(i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

For further details contact Authorized Officer, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(BAANKNET) e-mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 16.05.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised officer
Canara Bank

7,000
residents were evacuated from China's Liuzhou city on Monday after a 5.2 magnitude earthquake

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	1	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	28	24	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

Iran claims US agreed to freeze oil sanctions till deal is reached

Traffic through Strait of Hormuz returns to wartime average after last week's dip, says monitor

WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump will freeze sanctions on Iranian oil during ongoing nuclear talks, Iran's the semi-official Tasnim News Agency reported, and citing an Iranian source close to the country's negotiating team.

As per the report, the US Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control would issue waivers while negotiations continue. If confirmed, this would represent a new concession by the US.

Washington and Tehran have been swapping proposals in an effort to end the conflict which the US and Israel launched on February 28, but they have held only a single round of talks despite a fragile ceasefire.

"As we announced yesterday, our concerns were conveyed to the American side," foreign ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei told a news briefing, adding that exchanges were "continuing through the Pakistani mediator".

Baqaei defended Iran's demands, including the release of Iranian assets frozen abroad and the lifting of long-standing sanctions. "The points raised are Iranian demands that have been firmly defended by the Iranian negotiating team in every round of negotiations," Baqaei said.

He also defended an Iranian stipulation that the US pay war reparations, describing the conflict as "illegal and baseless".

On the possibility of another military confrontation, Baqaei said Iran was "fully prepared for any eventuality".

On Sunday, Iran's Fars news agency said Washington had presented a five-point list, which included a demand for Iran to keep only one nuclear site in operation and transfer its stockpile of highly enriched uranium to the United States.

The US had refused to release "even 25 percent" of Iran's frozen assets or pay any reparations for damage, Fars said.

Iran's Mehr news agency said "the United States, offering no tangible concessions, wants to obtain concessions that it failed to obtain during the war, which will lead to an impasse in the negotiations".

Meanwhile, traffic through the Strait of Hormuz was slightly higher last week, returning to levels in line with the average recorded since the start of the West Asia conflict after hitting a wartime low.

A total of 55 commodities vessels crossed the strategic waterway between May 11 and 17, according to data from maritime tracking firm Kpler as of Monday morning. That marked a sharp increase from the previous week, when just 19 vessels crossed. *Agencies*

WAR WATCH

A protester lies on the road to block traffic during a nationwide protest over rising fuel prices triggered by the West Asia war in Kenya's Nairobi on Monday | AFP

Protests in Kenya over fuel price hike, 4 dead

Four people have been killed and at least 30 injured in Kenya during demonstrations against fuel prices on Monday. Protests erupted in Kenya's capital, Nairobi, on Monday as a nationwide public transport strike kicked off in protest at rising fuel prices. Commuters were stranded in various suburbs, and the city centre remained deserted as motorists with private vehicles opted to stay home as protesters burned tyres on major roads. Kenya's fuel prices hit a record high on Friday, with the diesel price increasing by 23.5 per cent and petrol by 8 per cent, amid the continuing blockade of the Strait of Hormuz

Race against time in Congo to stop Ebola

A border health officer at the Busunga crossing between Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo checks a traveler's temperature | AFP

DAKAR

CONGO will open three treatment centers for the Ebola virus in the eastern Ituri province following an outbreak of a variant that has no approved therapeutics or vaccines, as the World Health Organization sent a team of experts and supplies to help stop the spread of the disease.

"We know that the hospitals are already under stress because of the patients," said Samuel Roger Kamba, the Congolese health minister, during a visit to Bunia, Ituri's capital and largest city, on Sunday. "But we are preparing to have treatment centers at all three sites in order to be able to expand our capabilities."

The WHO on Sunday declared the Ebola disease outbreak a public health emergency of international concern. As of Monday, there were over 390 suspected cases and 105 deaths in Congo, according to Congo's Health Cluster, and two deaths in neighboring Uganda.

Although the outbreak is centered in Congo's Ituri, cases have been reported in the capital, Kinshasa, and in Goma, the largest city in the country's east. The international health organisation warned Monday that the virus is affecting people in conflict-affected areas in Congo, posing an additional risk to health workers. Aid groups Medecins Sans Frontieres and the International Rescue Committee said on Monday they have dispatched teams responding to the outbreak.

CBS News reported on Sunday that at least six Americans have been exposed to the Ebola virus in Congo, citing anonymous sources in international aid organisations. The Associated Press has not been able to independently verify this information.

US health officials said Sunday the risk to Americans was low, but did not directly answer questions about whether any Americans may have been exposed to the Ebola virus in Africa. The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued travel advisories on Friday, urging Americans traveling in Congo and Uganda to avoid people who have symptoms like fever, muscle pain and rash. *AFP*

Musk loses blockbuster suit against OpenAI

OAKLAND

A federal jury ruled on Monday that Elon Musk waited too long to sue OpenAI and its co-founders, delivering a decisive victory to the ChatGPT startup and ending one of Silicon Valley's most closely watched courtroom battles. The swiftly reached decision caps a three-week trial that saw a parade of tech titans take the stand, with Musk arguing that OpenAI's pivot to a profit-driven business betrayed its original nonprofit mandate. The jury in Oakland federal court found that Musk's claims against OpenAI CEO Sam Altman, President Greg Brockman, The OpenAI Foundation and Microsoft were barred by statutes of limitations, rejecting the billionaire's core arguments.

Judge Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers, who had asked the jury to advise her on the matter, accepted and confirmed their decision.The outcome spared OpenAI from a potentially existential legal threat. Had Musk prevailed, he was seeking to force the company to revert to its nonprofit structure—a move that would have derailed its planned IPO and unwound ties to major investors including Microsoft, Amazon and SoftBank.

"The finding of the jury confirms that this lawsuit was a hypocritical attempt to sabotage a competitor and to overcome a long history of very bad predictions about what OpenAI has been and will become," OpenAI attorney William Savitt said."Musk can bring his claims, and he can tell his stories, but what the nine members of this jury found is that his stories were just that—stories, not facts," he added. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

LAHORE STREETS TO GET BACK PRE-PARTITION NAMES

Lahore: Pakistan's Punjab government has approved a plan to restore the names of several streets and roads in Lahore, aiming to revive the city's pre-Partition heritage, an official said on Monday. Several historic streets, alleys and roads in Lahore were renamed over the past decades, replacing British-era and Hindu-associated names with those of Islamic, Pakistani or local figures. "The Punjab Cabinet meeting, chaired by Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz, a few days ago had approved a plan to restore the original and historical names of various streets and roads in Lahore and its neighbourhood," a government official said. The decision has been taken to revive the cultural identity and heritage of this historical city, he said. The initiative is led by former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, he said

ASIA MATTERS

SEARCH FOR MIGRANT BOAT ENDS

Malaysia said on Monday it had ended a search for passengers of a migrant boat from Indonesia that sank off the country's western coast last week after the bodies of all 16 missing were recovered.The Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) in Perak state said 23 people were rescued after the vessel sank off Pangkor island west of peninsular Malaysia on May 11. Perak MMEA director Mohamad Shukri Khotob told AFP that the search was called off Saturday. "It's the standard (procedure) for us to carry out search and rescue mission for six days," he said.

TRAIN DRIVER CHARGED OVER BUS COLLISION

The driver of a train that collided with a bus in Thailand's capital, killing eight people, has tested positive for drugs and was charged with reckless driving, officials said Monday. The freight train crashed into the public bus on Saturday afternoon at a busy junction in Bangkok, with the vehicle bursting into flames and 30 people left injured, authorities said. Police charged the train driver, who was also injured, and a railway-crossing guard on Sunday with negligence, said Urumporn Koondejsumrit, chief of the local police station where the crash occurred.

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
Notice No. CE/PHE/CH/2026/**575**
dated: 18.05.2026

It is hereby notified that e-tender process for the following work -
i) Procurement of chemicals–Alumino - Ferric for PHED, Manipur,
ii) Procurement of chemical – Bleaching Powder for PHED, Manipur, &
iii) Procurement of chemical – Lime for PHED, Manipur have been initiated.
The details can be obtained from the website https:/manipurtenders.gov.in

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The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work

Item of work	Approx. Value
Reliability improvement of 6 quad cable by providing Half GRS box at water logging areas and between IB sections/Block section for easy maintenance/isolation of induced voltage over Bengaluru Division.	Rs. 4,36,44,386/-

Last date for submission of bids :
Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 02-06-2026

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Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer/Bengaluru
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that my client Meghana Srinivas, D/o Sri. T. Srinivas Murthy, residing at F203, Mantri Paradise, Bannerghatta Road, Arekere Gate, Sundar Ram Shetty Nagar, Bilekahalli, Bengaluru 560076, do hereby revoke, cancel, and annul the General Power of Attorney (GPA) executed by me on 14.01.2020 in favor of Smt. SUBHASHINI S, W/o. Sri. T. Srinivas Murthy, residing at No. 775, 9th Main, 3rd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru 560034. The said GPA was registered as Document No. BMH-4-00732/2019-20 at the office of Sub-Registrar, Bommanahalli, on 14.01.2020.

All powers, authorities, and rights conferred upon Smt. Subhashini through the afore mentioned GPA stands withdrawn and revoked with immediate effect from 13.05.2026 and also from the date of this publication. Any act, deed or thing done by Smt. Subhashini after 13th May 2026 shall not be binding on me.

Malatesh S.R
Advocate
No. 163, Nagesh Building, 1st Main,
Sheshadripuram, Bangalore 560020

STATE BANK OF INDIA
Stressed Assets Management Branch,(SAMB) Bengaluru

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"APPENDIX- II-A and IV-A"
[See proviso to rule 8(6) and 9(1)]
E AUCTION SALE ON 05.06.2026
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Asset (excluding movable assets, if any,lying in the premises) under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowerand Guarantors /Mortgagors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **05.06.2026** for recovery of **Rs.6,40,34,203.00** (Rupees Six Crore Forty Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Two Hundred Three only) in respect of M/s Unifi Media and Rs. 7,76,15,083.00 (Rupees Seven Crore Seventy Six Lakh Fifteen Thousand Eighty Three only) in respect of **M/s Unifi Media Pvt Ltd** with a grand total amount of **Rs. 14,16,49,286.00 (**Rupees Fourteen Crore Sixteen Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Six only**) as on 17.05.2026** and further interest at contractual rate from **18.05.2026** with incidental expenses + costs, charges etc., due to the State Bank of India from Borrowers M/s. Unisfi Media having Registered Office at No 81, Madhu Arts Studio Complex, Chikkalasandra, Bengaluru-560061 & M/s Unifi Media Pvt Ltd having registered office at No. 235, 11th Main, AGS Layout, Arehalli, Uttarahalli, Bengaluru-560061 and administrative office at No. 64/1, Krishna Towers, 2nd Floor, Chikkalasandra, Uttarahalli Main Road, Bengaluru-560061, and the Directors/Guarantors/Mortgagers, **Shri Udayaravi Hegde** S/o Shri Shivaram Hegde and **Smt. Chandrika Hegde** W/o Shri Udayaravi Hegde, both residing at No. 235, 11th Main, AGS Layout, Arehalli, Uttarahalli, Bengaluru-560061 and **Smt. Anasooya Hegde** D/o Shri Gajanana Hegde, residing at No. 525 Prashantha Nilaya 2nd Floor 4th cross,2nd main AGS layout Bangalore south Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560061.

The reserve price, earnest money deposit (EMD), bid increment amount, time & date of e-Auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documentsfor the immovable assets will be as under:

Sl. No.	Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Time and Date of e-auction	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC Documents
1.	**Rs.3,00,00,000/-**	**Rs.30,00,000/-**	**Rs.1,00,000/-**	11:00 a.m. on **05.06.2026** with unlimited extension of ten minutes for each bid, if bidding continues, till the sale is concluded.	**05.06.2026 upto 3.00 p.m.**

DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE ASSETS

Tender No. SBIN200070140064

IMMOVABLE PROPERTY NO-1: All that piece and parcel of immovable residential building bearing Site No.235, Intermediate, Present BBMP Khatha No.235/235, in the BDA approved Layout formed by the Accountant General's Office Co-operative Housing Society Limited, in Survey Nos. 6/1, 30, 32, 33, 34, 37 and 38, situated at Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and now comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Uttarahalli Ward No 184 of A.G.S. Layout, Bangalore and the site measuring East 30 feet, West 30 North 40 feet and South 40 feet in all measuring 1200 Sq. feet vide Amalgamation Deed dated 17.11.2014 executed by Shri Udayaravi Hegde S/o Shri Shivaram Hegde and Smt. Anasooya Hegde D/o Shri Gajanana Hegde and registered as Document No. BSK –1 -10284.2014-15 at the Office of the Sub Registrar, Basavanagudi (Banashankari) along with a total built up area of 3825sqft consisting ground floor(stilt floor) measuring 825sqft, first floor measuring 950sqft, second floor measuring 950sqft, third floor measuring 950 sqft, fourth floor (terrace floor) measuring 150sqft and bounded as follows. East by : Site No.250, West by : Road, North by : Site No.236, South by : Site No.234.

Reserve Price: Rs. 3,00,00,000/-

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT, 2002.

The Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors are hereby noticed to pay the sum of **Rs. 14,16,49,286.00 (**Rupees Fourteen Crore Sixteen Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Six only**) as on 17.05.2026** and further interest at contractual rate from 18.05.2026 with incidental expenses + costs, charges etc., within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditors represented by the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, SAMB, Bengaluru i.e., (1) www.baanknet.com, (2) www.sbi.bank.in

Date: 18.05.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorized Officer,
State Bank of India,
Stressed Asset Management Branch, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby put to notice that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from its original owners namely **Sri.H.S Ashwatha narayana** S/o. Late H.S Subbarao and Smt. Thripuramba.S W/o Sri.H.S Ashwathanarayana both are residing at No.173, 3rd Main, 11th 'A' Cross, Prashanth Nagar, Bangalore-560079

Any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within Fifteen (15) days of this publication. In case no such notice is received by us within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice, it shall be presumed that the title of the aforesaid owner with respect to the Schedule Property is clear, marketable and free from encumbrance/s of any kind whatsoever and no person has any right, title or interest of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof. Claims or alleged interest, if any, which are not received within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice shall be deemed to have been waived and disregarded for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that portion of Residential Site bearing No:550, Block-3, Category: HIG-I, having PID No.150200100200224280, Khatha No.550/B3 HIG I, measuring East to West 18 Meters and North to South 12 Meters, totally measuring 216 Square metres, developed by the Karnataka Housing Board 225 Housing Scheme, situated at Suryanagara Phase-III, comprising of lands acquired by the Karnataka Housing Board in various survey numbers of Giddenahalli, Jigala, Yadavanahalli & Adhigondanahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:
East by : House No: 559,560,561/B3 MIG;
West by : Road;
North by : Site No:549/B3 HIG-I;
South by : Site No:551/B3 HIG-I;

Sujay S Reddy, Advocate
No.346/35, 12th Cross, 7th Main, 2nd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore -560011 Ph : 8884903555

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THE SECRET OF GETTING AHEAD IS GETTING STARTED

MARK TWAIN

BEFORE THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT: BANGALORE
No. 4, LIC Building, Residency Road, Bangalore-25
O.A. No. 596 / 2023

BETWEEN:
Bank of Maharashtra,
Rajajinagar Branch,
Bengaluru. ...Applicant
And:
M/s. Nastawala Food Products and Beverages ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULES 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT

Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of debts due to Bank and financial Institution Act. 1993 against you for Recovery a sum of Rs. 24,83,713-00 (Rupees Twenty- Four lakh Eighty three thousand and seven hundred and thirteen only) together with current and future interest and others reliefs.

You are hereby required to show cause **within 30 days** from the date of publication of this summons or on the date of **27.07.2026 at 10.30 A.M** in person or by a pleader/ Advocate duly instituted as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this the day 06.05.2026.

***Sd/-* Authorised to issue summons**
DRT-I, BANGALORE

M/s. Nastawala Food Products and Beverages,
represented by its Proprietor
Sri. Sumit Rungta,
No. 2201, 22nd Floor, TC Brigade Gateway, Rajajinagar Extension, Malleshwaram, Bangalore. ...Defendant No.1

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Traffic Commercial Department, 2nd Floor, Shanthinagar TTMC, K.H. Road,Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560 027.
No: BMTC/CO/TR/COM/1959/504/2026-27 Date: 18.05.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 05/2026-27
(Through e-Procurement Platform)

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites bids from eligible persons/agencies for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of Smart Parking Facilities in the Revenue Sharing Model at **Shanthinagar MLCP and Kalasipalya Bus Station** parking locations through the e-procurement platform.

Pre-Bid meeting Date & time	**25.05.2026 at 11:30 am**	**Place: CTM(C)'s Chamber, 2nd Floor, Central Offices, BMTC, Shanthinagar.**
Last date for submission of bids		**16.06.2026 up to 17:00 hrs.**
Opening of Technical bids is on		**17.06.2026 at 17:05 hrs.**
Opening of Financial bids is on		**To be Intimated later**

Further, EMD amount, area and other details in this regard can be obtained in the e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or by Contacting: **09240214000, 09240214001, 080-22483777 & 7760991222** or E-mail: **ctmc@mybmtc.com.**

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager (Com) (Tender Inviting Authority)

GOVT OF KARNATAKA
HEALTH DEPARTMENT GADAG
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE TALUKA HOSPITAL, MUNDARAGI
e-mail: talukahospitalmundaragi@gmail.com

No: AMOS/MANPOWER-TENDER /2026-27, Date: 16/05/2026

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION

Online tenders are invited in two bid system for the providing group d and non-clinical staff through outsource to Taluk Ggeneral Hospital MUNDARAGI for the year **2026-27** and **26-05-2026** Last date for submission of tender. for further information visit the e procurement **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** using this tender reference no **DHFWS/2026-27/SE2235** more can be verified.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEDICAL OFFICER
TALUKA HOSPITAL MUNDARAGI

BEFORE THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE
4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001
O.A No.1662/2025

Between
Indian Bank ...Applicant
And
M/s. Cauvery Electricals & Others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993

To:
Defendants

1. M/s. Cauvery Electricals, Partnership Firm, No.6, Channasandra Layout, Uttarahalli Kengeri Main Road, Near RNS College,Channasandra,Bangalore-560061. Also At
1a. M/s. Cauvery Electricals, Partnership Firm, No.36 Sriramakuteera, 4th Main Road, 6th Cross, Near Ganesha Temple, Sarvabhoumanagar, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore-560061.
2. Sri Kanheyalal Patel S/o Sri Goparamji, Partner, M/s Cauvery Electricals and Guarantor, No.36, Sri Rama Kuteera, 4th Main Road, 6th Cross, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore 560 061. Also At
2a. Sri Kanheyalal Patel, Partner, Mis Cauvery Electricals and Guarantor # 43, Uttarahalli Main Road, Near Karnataka Bank, Subramanyapura Post, Bangalore-560061. Also At
2b. Sri Kanheyalal Patel, No.6, Channasandra Layout, Uttarahalli Kengeri Main Road, Near RNS College, Channasandra, Bangalore -560 061
3.Sri Manohar Kumar, Partner, M/s Cauvery Electricals and Guarantor, No.36, Sri Rama Kuteera, 4th Main, 6th Cross, Sarvabhoma Nagar, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore-560061. Also At
3a. Sri Manohar Kumar, No.6, Channasandra Layout, Uttarahalli Kengeri Main Road, Near RNS College, Channasandra, Bangalore-560061
4.Smt. Susheela Patel W/o Sri Kanheyalal Patel, Guarantor, No.36, Sri Rama Kuteera, 4h Main Road, 6th Cross, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore -560061. Also At
4a. Smt. Susheela Patel W/o Sri Kanheyalal Patel, Guarantor, No.6, Channasandra Layout, Uttarahalli Kengeri Main Road, Near RNS College, Channasandra, Bangalore-560061.

Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.26,29,578/-(Rupees Twenty six lakhs twenty nine thousand five hundred and seventy eight only)** together with current and future interest and other reliefs. The above defendant is therefore, hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **28.07.2026** at 10.30 am as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this the **13th day of April, 2026**

Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to General Public that, **Mrs. Puttamma alias Kempamma** W/o. Mr. B Basavegowda and **Mr. B Somashekar** S/o. Mr. B B Basavegowda, both are residing at No. 2605, 11th Main Road, E Block, Rajajinagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560010 have availed the loan from State Bank of India, RACPC Bangalore Central, L.C Road Branch by depositing the Original Title Deeds with the Bank, in respect of the below mentioned property. It is informed that Page Nos. 3, 4 and 11 of Original Sale Deed, Dated 01.03.2006 and duly registered as Document No. BLN-1-30273-2005-06 of Book-I and stored at CD No. BLND227 before the office of the Sub-registrar, Bangalore North Taluk is misplaced/lost and not traceable in the above mentioned branch. A Complaint is also lodged in Crime Branch, Bangalore City Police on 23.04.2026 (Lost Report No.2169577/2026), in respect of misplaced/loss of above mentioned Pages of Original Sale Deed of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Corporation **No. 09,** PID No. 37-83-9 previously having Assessment No. 488, Katha No. 488, Property No. 64 which is Western Portion of Site No. 7 and Eastern Portion of **Site No. 8 of Malagalu Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk** and previously comes under the BBMP Ward No.37 Situated at **8th "A" Cross, Huchappa Layout, Bangalore** and measuring East to West **30 feet** and North to South **50 feet,** in all measuring **1500 Sq.ft** and along with a building thereon bounded on:

East by : Eastern Portion of Site No. 7 which belongs to others, West by : Western Portion of Site No. 8 which belongs to Mrs. S Rajeshwari, North by : Road, South by : Property belongs to Byrappa and Road.

Any person/s having objections or claims, shall with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim to the above said police station or Branch or to the address below mentioned Within **15 days** from the date of this Notice. Persons finding the above title deeds may kindly return the same to the undersigned and if any objections in this regard may contact the undersigned, failing which my client shall proceed with the further transaction.

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD*			SILVER*			FOREX		
77.05 ▲	Sensex	75,315.04	₹710 ▼	24 carat (10 gm)	₹1,56,220	₹10,000 ▲	1 kg	₹290,000	▲	Dollar	96.35
6.45 ▲	Nifty	23,649.95	₹650 ▼	22 carat (10 gm)	₹1,43,200	₹100 ▲	10 gm	₹2,900	▲	Euro	112.11

*Delhi Mandi Price

Vodafone Idea plans to raise ₹35K cr

Telco plans to raise ₹25,000 cr via debt and ₹10,000 cr through non-funded facilities from SBI-led consortium

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

TELECOM service provider Vodafone Idea Limited on Monday said it is deeply engaged with a consortium of SBI-led banks, including PSU banks, private banks and foreign banks, to raise funds worth ₹35,000 crore. The fund will be used primarily for operating expenses. During the company's Q4 investor call, CEO Abhijit Kishore said that the company is confident of closing the process soon. According to him, the company plans to raise ₹25,000 crore through debt and ₹10,000 crore through non-funded facilities. However, the telco did not specify any timeline for the fundraising.

"On the debt raise, as you know, we have maintained our capex guidance over the next three years at ₹45,000 crore. We are looking at funded facilities of ₹25,000 crore and non-funded facilities of ₹10,000 crore. We are deeply engaged with a consortium of SBI-led banks, including PSU banks, private banks, and foreign banks. We are very confident of closing that soon," said Kishore.

Vi, India's third-largest telecom service provider, reported a net profit of ₹51,970 crore in the fourth quarter of FY26, compared to a loss of ₹5,286 crore in the previous quarter. The profit was driven by a one-time gain arising from the reassessment of Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) liabilities by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT).

The DoT reduced the company's AGR dues by ₹23,649 crore to ₹64,046 crore as of December 31, 2025, following a reassessment. Following the relief, the company has been actively raising funds from the market to invest in network expansion and operations.

On Saturday, the company's board approved a ₹4,730-crore fundraise through the issuance of up to 430 crore warrants to Suryaja Investments Pte. Ltd., an Aditya Birla Group promoter entity.

The company will issue the warrants at ₹11 apiece under SEBI's ICDR regulations, with each warrant convertible into one equity share within 18 months from the date of allotment.

Following recent equity-related transactions, Vodafone Plc currently holds 16.07% in the company, while the Aditya Birla Group owns 9.57%. However, Kishore ruled out any change in the board structure after the equity conversion process.

"Currently, the shareholding stands at 16.07% for Vodafone Plc and 9.57% for the Aditya Birla Group. Post the changes from warrants, preferential allotment, and CLM adjustments, the shareholding will change, but only after complete equity conversion... I don't think there is any such change being contemplated in the board," said Kishore.

51K CRORE NET PROFIT REPORTED BY VI IN FOURTH QUARTER OF FY26

24K CRORE AGR DUES REDUCED BY THE DEPT OF TELECOM AS OF DEC 31

> **On the debt raise, we have maintained our capex guidance at ₹45,000 crore and are deeply engaged with a consortium of SBI-led banks**
>
> Abhijit Kishore, CEO

PATH OF REVIVAL

- In **December 2025**, Vi raised **₹3,300 cr** through NCDs
- Its board last week approved a **₹4,730-cr** fundraise through warrants
- The company plans **₹45,000 cr** capex in the next three years

- As on **March 31, 2026**, Vi's debt from banks stood at **₹726 crore**
- In the same period last year, bank debt stood at **₹2,326 crore**

INVESTMENT

TVS VENU TO BUY 9.9% STAKE IN JANA SMALL BANK

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TVS VENU has agreed to acquire a minority stake of up to 9.9% in Jana Small Finance Bank through a combination of primary issuance of warrants and secondary share purchase, subject to regulatory approvals and customary closing conditions. The proposed investment includes a 4.9% stake to be held by TVS Motor Company on a fully diluted basis.

Based on the bank's current market capitalisation of around ₹5,000-5,170 crore, the acquisition of a 9.9% stake is estimated to be valued at roughly ₹500-510 crore at prevailing market prices.

Shares of the bank were trading around ₹466 on Monday. The move marks the latest expansion of TVS VENU's financial services ambitions, adding to its presence through TVS Credit Services, which provides consumer and retail loans across India. The group had earlier signed definitive agreements to acquire 100% stake in PGIM India Asset Management.

Jana Small Finance Bank has a strong presence in mass retail and MSME banking, with over 12 million customers, 822 outlets across 23 states and two Union Territories. As of March 31, 2026, the bank reported advances and deposits of more than ₹35,000 crore each.

Sudarshan Venu said India's financial services sector would be a key driver of the country's economic growth and described the investment as aligned with TVS VENU's long-term strategy of backing high-quality financial institutions.

Venu added that Jana Small Finance Bank had built a credible banking franchise with strong presence across customer segments linked to India's credit, savings and investment growth.

He also acknowledged the role of investment firm TPG Capital in supporting Jana's growth and welcomed new investors including S P Lohia and Shruti Lohia.

TVS VENU said the investment would enable long-term collaboration opportunities with Jana Small Finance Bank across multiple areas, subject to applicable laws.

> **We have been serving over 44 million financial services customers across 100,000 touch points pan India, and are excited about huge opportunity**
>
> Sudarshan Venu, Chairman, TVS Motor

EXPANSION PLANS

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TCS announces 6-8% average salary hike; top-rated employees see 10% increase

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

THE Tata Consultancy Services has rolled out salary hikes of 6-8% for employees in India, even as its staff across the company continue to report lower variable pay, tighter compensation policies and growing pressure linked to AI-led productivity targets.

The hikes, effective from April, mark a return to TCS's regular appraisal cycle after the delays in last year caused by weak global demand and macroeconomic uncertainty. Top-rated employees received increments of more than 10%, while lower-rated staff saw hikes of around 2-3%.

At the same time, employees across online forums, Reddit discussions and workplace platforms have complained that overall compensation has effectively shrunk because of reduced quarterly variable pay and stricter performance-linked payouts.

Exit of senior leaders

A report by People Matters said more than 300 senior leaders exited TCS in the past eight months amid layoffs, lower bonuses and AI-led restructuring inside the company. The report said some senior executives received "less than 10%" of expected variable pay during the past two years.

The concerns are emerging as TCS continues to report stable profits and revenue.

It has also repeatedly highlighted growing enterprise demand for artificial intelligence services and said AI has become central to client conversations.

In its FY26 annual report, TCS said annual salary increases for junior and mid-level employees ranged between 4.5% and 7% in India, while overseas employees received 1-6% hikes. The company added that variable pay remains linked to "organisation performance and individual utilisation".

Meanwhile, TCS has reduced its workforce by more than 23,000 employees over the last financial year, bringing total headcount down to about 5.84 lakh employees.

During the same period, the company Chief Executive Officer (CEO) K Krithivasan's remuneration rose 6.3% to ₹28.1 crore, including ₹25 crore in commission.

His compensation stood at more than 332 times the median employee salary, according to the company's annual report.

Industry analysts say the shift reflects broader changes across India's IT sector, where companies are using automation and AI tools to protect margins during slower global technology spending.

Overseas employees get 1-6% salary increment

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US JUDGEMENT

Iran sanctions violations: Adani to pay $275 mn to settle case

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE US Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) announced on Monday that it agreed to a $275 million settlement with Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL). The AEL agreed to settle its potential civil liability for 32 apparent violations of OFAC's Iran sanctions.

According to OFAC, from November 2023 to June 2025, Adani Enterprises purchased shipments of liquified petroleum gas (LPG) from a Dubai-based trader purporting to supply Omani and Iraqi gas. It added that red flags should have put AEL on notice that the LPG actually originated from Iran.

During this time period, AEL caused US financial institutions to process 32 US dollar denominated payments totaling approximately $192.10 million for the shipments.

"The settlement amount reflects OFAC's determination that AEL's apparent violations were egregious and not voluntarily self-disclosed and further reflects the AEL's remedial measures following discovery of the conduct and the cooperation AEL provided for OFAC's investigation," said Treasury's OFAC in a statement.

The fresh settlement comes days after it was reported that the US Securities and Exchange Commission has resolved a civil lawsuit alleging a bribery scheme involving Gautam Adani, Asia's richest billionaire and promoter of Adani Group. The Justice Department is said to be considering dropping related criminal fraud charges against Adani.

'India rerouting food, essential items to West Asia via Oman, Dubai'

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

INDIA is rerouting their exports to the countries of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) through Oman, Hatta Border, Dubai and Khor Fakkan port, according to the sources from the Ministry of Commerce. Due to the closure of Strait of Hormuz and other disruptions arising from Iran war, the exports to West Asia from India have been severely impacted.

The officials confirmed that India is only exporting essential goods which also include perishable food items to the West Asia.

"Food is being mainly exported through Dubai and other essential items are being sent through Dubai and Hatta Border. Nearly 14-15% of the exports from India to the GCC have been impacted," said an official aware of the matter.

India's exports and imports with West Asian region has gone down by more than 28% in April.

This is the second month in a row that the trade with West Asia has fallen as the geopolitical crisis has caused severe disruptions in ship movements and surge in freight rates.

In one of the recent media briefings, Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal said that the country's merchandise exports to the West Asian region has come down to $4.16 billion in April this year as against $5.78 billion in April last year.

SP Group secures ₹27,000 crore refinance from overseas creditors

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE debt-laden Shapoorji Pallonji (SP) Group, which owns an 18.6% stake in Tata Sons, has secured a refinancing deal with its overseas creditors led by Davidson Kempner, Farallon Capital and Cerberus Capital, among others, for its ₹27,000-crore debt maturing by the end of the month.

The refinancing, being arranged largely by US-based global alternative asset managers, is expected to significantly ease the group's near-term debt overhang. The conglomerate, which has interests spanning engineering, construction and real estate, has seen its group-level borrowings — backed by Tata Sons shares — remain under scrutiny in debt markets for the past several years.

The group has been trying to secure refinancing since January 2025 to address around ₹27,000 crore of outstanding debt. The transaction is expected to close over the next few weeks, according to people aware of the development.

Once completed, the refinancing will rank among the largest private credit transactions in recent years. The deal is said to be priced at 18.95% and will be largely financed by a consortium of global alternative investment firms such as Davidson Kempner and Farallon Capital, among others, sources told *TNIE* on Monday.

Farallon had exited a part of its previous refinancing facility but has returned for the latest round alongside existing investors and new offshore participants, a source said.

The source added that, of the total debt overhang, nearly $1 billion will be raised from offshore bond investors, primarily large US-based credit funds and structured debt investors, with individual ticket sizes ranging from $70 million upwards.

Another source said a portion of the refinancing will be made available to HNIs, with a minimum ticket size of ₹10 crore. The HNI portion would be structured as zero-coupon non-convertible debentures with a three-year tenor offering a yield of 18.25%, even as the overall refinancing is priced at 18.95%.

FUNDING DEBT

1. The refinancing is expected to significantly ease group's near-term debt overhang
2. The refinancing package is likely to be priced at 18.95%

EXPRESS READ

RBI not activating cyclical capital buffer

NEW DELHI: The RBI on Monday said there is no need for banks to activate counter-cyclical capital buffer as there is no reason to activate it at this point of time. It said the framework is activated when it is needed and a decision towards this is would normally be pre-announced. *ENS*

Sebi eases norms for research analysts

NEW DELHI: Sebi on Monday proposed easing the requirement for research analysts to maintain call recordings of interactions with institutional clients, a move aimed at reducing compliance burden and improving ease of doing business.

₹ falls to new closing low of 96.35 due to rising crude price, US bond yields

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE rupee continued to bleed for the seventh consecutive trading session to close at an all-time low of 96.35 on Monday. The slide of the local currency continued amid rising crude prices that crossed $111 a barrel and hardening US bond yields as the Iran war entered the 12th week.

Rupee had hit a low of 96.3875 intraday. The massive recovery in the equity market did not help the currency recoup. Forex traders said the global market sentiments continue to dampen amid simmering tension between the US and Iran.

Emerging markets like India feel the pressure of rising crude prices as elevated rates increase the dollar outflows and FPIs pulling over Rs 2.2 lakh crore in 2026, traders said.

The rupee remains the Asia's weakest currency for the third year in a row, having lost close to 7% since the Iran war began. The rupee is down more than 12.5% in the last one year, and has fallen 64.5% since May 2014.

'Trade deficit a reason'

Dilip Parmar, research analyst at HDFC Securities said that the decline was further exacerbated by a spike in both global and domestic bond yields, reflecting market anticipation of prolonged elevated interest rates. Additionally, a projected widening of the trade deficit and depleting forex reserves intensified the macroeconomic headwinds facing the rupee.

Mkts stage recovery; Sensex, Nifty end in green

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA'S equity markets staged a meaningful recovery on Monday with the BSE Sensex recovering 1,100 points from day's low to settle in the green. The NSE Nifty50, which touched an intraday low of 23,317.10, also made a strong recovery of more than 300 points from lower levels despite rising crude oil prices, weakness in rupee and ongoing geopolitical tension.

At the close, the Sensex, which hit intraday low of 74,180.26, advanced 77.05 points or 0.10% to settle at 75,315.04, while the Nifty gained 6.45 points or 0.03% to end at 23,649.95. Experts attributed the recovery to value buying in IT and banking stocks.

"The prolonged stalemate between the US and Iran continues to cast a shadow over near-term sentiment, yet the equity market managed to recover intraday losses and closed on a flat note, supported by value buying in IT and banking stocks. The ongoing earnings season has provided a constructive narrative, though caution persists as higher bond yields, elevated crude oil prices, and a weakening rupee reinforce inflationary concerns," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Investments. He added, "Investors appear to be adopting a staggered allocation strategy rather than waiting for complete clarity, particularly in export-oriented sectors."

No.1083/PW/PH/DB-RWS/F.No.169/2026-27/e-04

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
P.W.D., PUDUCHERRY

Tender No.04/PHD/2026-27 Puducherry, dt: 18.05.2026

Notice inviting e-Tender

On behalf of the President of India, online bids for one work are invited by the Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, PWD, Puducherry. Last time & date of submission of tender: **4.00 P.M on 01.06.2026.** Date of opening at **11.A.M on 02.06.2026.** The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website **www.pudutenders.gov.in.**

No.018/DIP/AD(Press)/2026-27 **Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (PHD)**

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Request for Proposals

e-Tender-cum-e-Reverse Auction No.: **WBSEDCL/PT&P/e-NIT/01/2026** Date: **19.05.2026** is invited by the **Chief Engineer (PT&P)**, Vidyut Bhavan, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091 for purchase of power on Short Term Basis for the period from **01.07.2026** to **30.09.2026**, through Traders/Licensees/Bidders. Interested parties may download the tender documents from the website **https://www.mstcecommerce.com** directly with the help of Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from **11:00 hrs.** of **19.05.2026** and submit the same on or before **17:00 hrs.** of **28.05.2026.**

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For details, visit **www.wbsedcl.in**

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Ref. GTTC/PROJ/CIVIL-ELE/WORKS/BD-162/2026-27 Date:19.05.2026

SHORT-TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders for the following works have been invited through e-Procurement by the Goverment Tool Room and Training Centre.

Sl.No.	BID No.	GTTC Centre Name	Name of work
1	162	Talakal	Establishment of GTTC-MSDC at Talakal, Koppal District.

Tender Documents are available on the e-portal from **20.05.2026** and Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled on **29.05.2026 at 11.30 A.M.** The last date for submission of tender in the e-Portal is **04.06.2026 before 5.30 PM.** For more details, please visit the e-Procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact helpline number: +91 9240214000 +91 9240214001

Sd/- Executive Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby informed that my client Sri. SHANAKARA K., aged about 62 years, S/o Kempaiah R/at No 23/1, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, VR Puram, Palace Guttahalli, Bengaluru -560003, has intended to purchase, Residential Property bearing Site No. 49, PID No.: 99-114-49 Old BBMP Ward No. 99, Present GBA Ward No.64, New EPID No:5051884258, Municipal No.49,, morefully described in the Schedule hereunder for valuable consideration from Smt. Y. GAYATHRIDEVI, Aged about 67 years, w/o A. Venkatapati, R/at No. U-38, 10th Main Road, Back side to Vyalikaval Police Station, Palace Guttahalli, Bengaluru 560 003.

Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right in the Schedule Property may lodge their objections and/or claims to the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidences within 07 (Seven) days from the date of this publication, and any objections or claims received thereafter will not be taken for consideration and my client will proceed to purchase the Schedule Property as if there are no claimant/s or objections from any person/s.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Residential Property bearing Site No. 49, PID No.: 99-114-49 Old BBMP Ward No. 99, Present GBA Ward No.64, New EPID No:5051884258, Municipal No.49, A K Colony, 10th Main Road, Near Vyalikaval Police Station, Bagnalroe - 560003. Along with Constructed RCC Roofing, Ground, 1st and 2nd Floor, with All Civic Amentias measuring East to West: 20 Feet & North to South: 20 Feet, in all measuring 400 Square Feet bounded by:

East by : Private Property,
West by : Marjinal Land,
North by : 10th Main Road,
South by : Conservancy Lane.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, Mr.Siddalingeshwara.S, residing at No.40, Annapoorneshwari Layout, Tippenahalli Main Road, Bangalore – 560 073 has lost the Original Sale Deed dated 20.08.2014, executed by Muniyallamma in favour of A.Srinivas, registered as document No.YAN-1-04107/2014-15, in Book I and stored in CD No.YAND561, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bangalore and Rectification Deed dated 31.12.2014, executed by Muniyallamma in favour of A.Srinivas, registered as document No.KCH-1-05015/2014-15, in Book I and stored in CD No.KCHD185, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kacharakanahalli, Bangalore in respect of the Property bearing Site No.13, BBMP Khatha No.950/16/1/13, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to south 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 sq,ft, situated at Amruthahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore. A police complaint dated 17.05.2026 is lodged in this regard. If any person finds the same may kindly be delivered to the undersigned or to my client. Any person un-authorisly holding the same and dealing with the same in the respect of the above property in any manner, the same will not be binding on my clients. In this behalf if any person having any Objections or claims can lodge the same with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence within Fifteen days of this Notice. Later on the same will not be entertained and my client proceed to deal with said property as his like.

Place: Bangalore
Dated: 19.05.2026

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अल्पकालीन ई–निविदा सूचना संख्या 01/2026–27

Selection Of Manpower Agency For Ministerial Work And Revenue Collection (Conductor) for E-Bus Operation in Nagar Nigam Bikaner कार्य की संविदा 01 वर्ष हेतु अनुमानित राशि 4.66 करोड़ रूपये सक्षम / पात्र संभरणकर्ता जो कार्य करने / सामग्री संभरण के लिए अनुभवी हो, से निविदा पर निर्धारित प्रपत्र में ई–बोली प्रक्रिया से ऑनलाईन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा कार्य से सम्बन्धित सम्पूर्ण विवरण एवं तिथि राज्य सरकार की ई–प्रोक्योरमेंट पोर्टल **www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** तथा नगर निगम बीकानेर की वेबसाइट **www.bikanermc.org** पर देखी व डाउनलोड की जा सकती है तथा निर्धारित अवधि तक ई–प्रोक्योरमेंट पोर्टल **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** पर अपलोड की जा सकती है।

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ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Yees Vee Press Components (Borrower) Muthukrishnan Vijayapilai Kannikavathi Muhtukrishnan, (Guarantors/ Mortgagor) Loan Account Number 015605017349	Krishnagiri District, Krishngairi registration District, Hosur Sub registration District, Hosur taluk in, Mookondapalli village 1: Sy. No.87/1D, Dry. Ext. hect. 0.49.0 asst. 1.06 in this Ac.0.25 acre or 10900 square feet bounded as follows: East: Car Track, West: Remaining land in the same Sy. No. North: Car Track, South: Sipcot land Within these boundaries the above said extent of 0.25 acre or 10900 land fully Property comes under New sub division Sy.no. 87/1D2, Dry Ext. Hec. 0.10.0 Asst. 0.22 2. Sy.No.87/1D, Dry. Ext. hect.0.49.0 asst. 1.06 in this an extent of 2190 square feet bounded as follows: East: Land belonging to Vijai, West: Land in the same Sy. No. Belonging to the purchaser, North: 10 feet Common Road, South: Sipcot land In Midst measuring; East to west on North side: 36 1/2 feet, East to west on south side: 36 1/2 feet, North to south on west side: 60 feet, North to south on east side: 60 feet. Totally an extent of 2190 square feet of land fully Property comes under New sub division Sy. No. 87/3, Dry. Ext. Hec. 0.02.0 Asst. 0.06	Rs. 2,76,36, 858/- (as on May 11, 2026)	Rs. 2,56,50, 000/- / Rs. 25,65, 000/-	June 02, 2026 From 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	June 08, 2026 From 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

The online auction will be conducted on the website (assets.matexauctions.com).of our auction agency M/s Matex Technologies Limited. The Mortgagors/ Notices are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by June 06, 2026 before 04:00 PM. else the secured asset(s) will be sold as per schedule.

The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before June 06, 2026 before 05:00 PM Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or before June 06, 2026 before 05:00 PM along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068 on or June 06, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited' payable at "Bangalore".

For any further clarifications in terms of inspection, Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, contact ICICI Bank Employee Phone No.7304918084.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date : May 19, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

Canara Bank

A Government of India Undertaking

ARM Branch– II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Telephone numbers 080-25310181 – e-mail – cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the **ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of will be sold on **11.06.2026 from 01.00 PM. to 03.00 PM. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. **(₹. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Properties (Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned)	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & EMD	Incremental value at the Bid
1.	**(1) M/s. ASK Renewables,** No.50, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main, 5th 'A' Cross, Coconut Garden, Bangalore-560072, **(2) Mrs. Nayana Hegde** W/o Nitin N Hebbar, No.10144, Sobha Aspire, Nagasandra Village, Tumkur Road, Bangalore-560073, **(3) Mrs. Nayana Hegde** D/o Mr Ramakrishna Hegde, SUMERUGREEN ENERGIE, No 50, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main, Kalyanagara, Nagarbhavi, Bangalore-560072. **(4) Mrs. Swapna Kalanji** W/o Yogeshwara Hebbar, No.9, Venkateshwara Nilaya, Anantashayana Nagar, Leggere, Bangalore-560058, **(5) Mrs. Swapna Hebbar** W/o Mr Yogeshwara Hebbar, No.9, Venkateshwara Nilaya, Anantashayana Nagar, Leggere, Bangalore-560058, **(6) Mrs. Manuja G** W/o Ravikumar S M, No.50, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main, 5th 'A' Cross, Coconut Garden, Near Nagarabhavi Circle, Bangalore-560072, **(7) Mr. Lakshmipathy** S/o Gopalappa No.27, 10th Cross, 9th Main, Hennur, Maruthi Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore - 560043.	**Rs. 4,27,50,724.14 (Rupees Four Crore Twenty Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Four and Fourteen Paisa only) plus further interest thereon from 03.05.2026 and other expenses**	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.27, House No 431, Katha No. 528, Assessment No.42, measuring East to West 56 Feet and North to South 50 Feet in all 2800 Sq. ft. with RCC Roofed residential building situated at 10th Cross, 9th Main Road, Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk – 560043 and property in the name of Mr. Lakshmipathy and bounded on the: North by : Sri Munegowda's Property, South by : Sri Manjunatha's Property, East by: 40 Feet Road, West by : Sri Kodandappa's Property.	**24.06.2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m**	**Reserve Price Rs. 299 Lakhs EMD Rs. 29.90 Lakhs**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer. **(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **23.06.2026** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. **(i)** Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. **(iii)** Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.1,00,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. (i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach **Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru,** who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act

For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) e-mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 18.05.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised officer
Canara Bank

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SALE NOTICE

AUCTION SALE NOTICE OF MOVABLES (HYPOTHECATED ASSET) UNDER RULES 6 (2) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable property/ies Hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken in exercise of the power conferred under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 by **Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bangalore,** will be sold on **As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 24.06.2026 from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.** against the dues of **Rs. 29,76,37,002.17/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Crores Seventy Six lakhs Thirty seven thousand Two and Seventeen Paisa Only) as on 03.05.2026** plus further interest and charges thereon and other expenses due to **Canara Bank from 1. The Managing Director, M/s. Technospark Industries India Pvt. Ltd.** 1341, Kavalbyrasandra, R T Nagar Post, (Near DR.Ambedkar Medical College), Bengaluru – 560032 Karnataka. **Also at :** Plot No. 178-A2 & 179-A, KIADB Industrial Area, Vasanthanarasapura 1st Phase, Nagenahalli Post, Kora Hobli, Tumkur – 572 128. **2. Mr Mohan Suresh (Managing Director and Guarantor),** Flat No 604, Block No.E-2, Unit No.WH-87, VI Floor, Sri Ram White House, VI Main, 15th Cross, R T Nagar, Bengaluru 560 032. **Also at :** A 1501, Vaishnavi Terrace, Dollars Colony, JP Nagar 4th Phase, Bengaluru - 560 078, Karnataka. **3. Mrs. Surekha Suresh (Director and Guarantor)** Flat No 604, Block No. E-2, Unit No. WH-87, VI Floor, Sri Ram White House, VI Main, 15th Cross, R T Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 032. **Also at :** A 1501, Vaishnavi Terrace, Dollars Colony, JP Nagar 4th Phase, Bengaluru - 560 078, Karnataka. **4. Mr M Sanjeev (Guarantor)** .No 359, 17th A Cross, 26th Main, Road, J P Nagar 6th Phase, Bangalore - 560078.

Details and Full Description of Movable Assets :

Sl. No.	Description of Machines	Reserve Price of Machines	EMD Amount
1.	Granite Cutting Machine	9,89,604	98,961
2.	Granite Cutting Machine	7,06,860	70,686
3.	Granite Cutting Machine	7,06,860	70,686
4.	Muti Cutter Machine	9,42,480	94,248
5.	Hydralic Press Brake Machine	13,22,196	1,32,220
6.	Hydralic Shearing Machine	11,04,210	1,10,421
7.	Blast Room Accessories	14,33,898	1,43,390
8.	Radial Drilling Machine	1,98,660	19,866
9.	Slab Polishing Machine	7,84,080	78,408
10.	Hydralic Pale Rolling Machine	16,35,087	1,63,509
11.	Water Base Single Blade Machine	10,38,400	1,03,840
12.	Crane & Hoist	23,36,400	2,33,640
13.	Crane & Hoist	18,17,200	1,81,720
14.	Dg Set	14,05,076	1,40,508
15.	Misccelenous	2,20,000	22,000
16.	Granite Cutting Machine	3,30,000	33,000
17.	Granite Cutting Machine	6,73,200	67,320
18.	Drilling Machine	3,00,300	30,030
19.	Welding Machine	2,772	277.20
20.	Monorail	23,10,000	2,31,000
21.	Monorail	13,86,000	1,38,600
22.	Vertical Drilling Machine	97,020	9,702
23.	Horizontal Drilling Machine	2,07,900	20,790
24.	Air Compressor	1,84,800	18,480
25.	Dg Set	69,300	6,930
26.	Rail	1,42,005	14,201
27.	Rail	1,19,776	11,978
28.	Tranformer	2,77,200	27,720
	Total	2,27,41,283.40	22,74,131

*** The above mentioned hypothecated machineries are Plot No. 178-A2 & 179-A, KIADB Industrial Area, Vasanthanarasapura 1st Phase, Nagenahalli Post, Kora Hobli, Tumkur – 572128.**

Other Terms and Conditions :-

a) The Movables Items (Hypothecated assets) will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
b) Auction/ bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the Website of **M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. (BAANKNET).** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
c) The Property / Hypothecated assets can be inspected **on 17.06.2026** or with the consent of Authorised Officer on any working day.
d) Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 20,000/-** as incremental value. The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
e) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) **of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS / NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan "on or before 23.06.2026**
f) The successful bidder shall deposit 25 % of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on the sale being knocked down in his/ her favour and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price as stated above, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited.
g) Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
h) Remaining amount of bids is to be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer to credit of account **"CANARA BANK ARM BRANCH II, BENGALURU" A/c No. 209272434; IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.**
i) EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
j) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty/GST registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
k) The Auction Sale is conducted on **"As is where is, As is what is and Whatever there is"** Basis. Bank is not aware of any pending charges, taxes, etc. Purchasers are bound to verify the same and, if any, have to bear the same.
l) Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
m) Authorised Officer reserves the right to Postpone / Cancel or vary the terms and conditions of auction without assigning any reason thereof.

For further details contact Authorised Officer, **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch For further details Contact Chandrasekhar Yadav, Chief Manager, Canara Bank, ARM Branch - II (9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(BAANKNET) e-mail : support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com.**

Date : 18.05.2026 **Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Nagesh & others** have filed the petition for death certificate of deceased **Sri.Jayanna S/o Late. Pillappa who died on 01.03.2024** at Bagaluru Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore North District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interest persons appear before the Hon'ble Principle Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli on date of hearing **on 19.06.2026 11.00 A.M in C.Mis.No.202/2026.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri. Chikkegowda, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri. Muniraju & others** have filed the petition for death certificate of deceased **Smt. Munilakshmamma W/o Late. Muniyappa @ Hudi Muniyappa, who died on 12.05.2016** at Bagaluru Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interest persons appear before the Hon'ble Principle Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli **on date of hearing on 19.06.2026 at 11.00 A.M in C.Mis.No.203/2026.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri. Chikkegowda, Advocate

Can Fin Homes Ltd

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[proviso to rule 9(1)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., MandyaBranch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **22-06-2026**, for recovery of **Rs. 45,25,000**/-(**Rupees Forty Five Lakh Twenty Five Thousand only**) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. Sampath Kumar BR** S/o Ramegowda & Lt. Vimala(Co-applicant)and **Mr. Sunil B** S/o Boregowda (Guarantor) and all other legal heirs of Lt Vimala, as on **12.05.2026** together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.60,53,000/-(Rupees Sixty lakh Fifty Three Thousand only)** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.6,05,300/-(Rupees Six lakh Five thousand Three Hundred only).**

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property situated at Panchayath Khatha No.57, E Property No.152900102100100082, Belekere Village, Malur Hobli, ChannapatnaTq, Ramanagar District with site dimension of East to West :21.3360 meters and North to South:17.6784 meters Totally 377.19 Sq meters & Boundaries of the property is: East by : Late Thammaiah's Property, West by : Property of Jayalakshmamma, North by : Property of Balaramegowda,South by : Property of Siddaiah.

Encumbrance: As per Encumbrance Certificate, a Partition Deed dated 03-01-2022 has been registered in favour of Mr. B .R. Santhosh, S/o Ramegowda, in respect of the schedule property bearing Panchayath Khatha No.57 / RDPR PID No.152900102100100082, Belekere Village, MalurHobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District. The said registration is subsequent to the mortgage created in favour of Can Fin Homes Ltd.

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.auctionbazaar.com

Date: 18.05.2026
Place : Mandya

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE

O. A. No.1030/2024

Between: Union Bank of India (Earlier: Corporation Bank), Shanthinagar Branch, Bangalore. **...Applicant**

And

1. M/s. Hyderabad Handloom Centre, No. 2, Madai, J. N. Market, Chowdeshwari Temple Street, Bangalore - 560 002.
2. Mr. G. N. Chiranjeeivi, No. 3, Jamuna Giri, 2nd Cross, Lakshmi Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560 027.
3.Mr. G. N. Sathyanarayana, No. 3, Jamuna Giri, 2nd Cross, Lakshmi Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560 027.
4. Smt. Padma Bai, No. 3, Jamuna Giri, 2nd Cross, Lakshmi Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560 027.
5. Smt. G. N. Jamuna Bai , No. 3, Jamuna Giri, 2nd Cross, Lakshmi Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560 027.
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SUMMONS /NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application /interlocutory application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.5,04,98,789.22** together with current and future interest and for other reliefs.

Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the servide of the Summons or on **24.07.2026** at **10.30 A.M. in person or by a pleader/advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.**

Take notice of interim relief sought.

Take notice that in case of default, the application/interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this the **13.04.2026.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II, Bengaluru

To

Defendnat No. 1: M/s. Hyderabad Handloom Centre (Partnership Firm) Represented by its Partners (Defendant No. 2 to 12), Registered Office at : No. 2, Madai, J. N. Market, Chowdeshwari Temple Street, Bangalore - 560 002.

Defendnat No. 14: Mr.G. C. Namaskar S/o. Griappa Chiranjeeivi, Aged about 46 years, Residing at:No. 10, CKC Garden 2nd Cross, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore - 560 027.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY "APPENDIX-IV-A[See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **07.07.2026 "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/ Mortgagor/s/ Guarantor/s/ Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Sl. No.	Name & Address Of Borrower/s /Guarantor/ S/ Mortgagor (s)	Short Description Of The Immovable Property With Known Encumbrances, If Any	A. Branch Name B. Account Number C. Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	A. Reserve Price B. EMD Amount C. Bid Increase Amount D. Last Date Of Receipt Of EMD E. Status Of Possession	Property Inspection Date (With Prior Permission From Authorised Officer)
1	**Smt. Pavithra D/o** V Gopinath Rao Jadhav, No. 2, 7th Main, Near Nandish Apartments, Bandappa Garden. Bangalore-560054 and **also residing at:** No. 23/1, Ground Floor, 4th Main Road, Near Manju Audio Video Centre, Mathikere, Bengaluru-560054	**Schedule 'A' Property :** All that Piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No. 2, Old Khatha No. 34/3 34/4, BBMP No. 206/34/3/2/34/4, situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, wad No. 8, measuring East to West: 86+80/2ft and North to South: 101.5ft, in all measuring 8424.5Sq.ft. Bounded on : East by : 30ft Road, West by : Private Layout 30 ft Road, North by: Property No. 1, South by : Property No. 3 **Schedule 'B' Property:** Apartment bearing Flat no. **403,** 2 BHK, in 4th floor, in the apartment building known as "Sai Balaji Meadows" having super built up area of 1112 Sq.ft. with one covered Car parking known as 403 constructed on the Schedule "A" property, together with all common areas attributed there to East by : Flat no. 402, West by : Open to Sky, North by: Flat no. 404, South by : Open to Sky. **Schedule 'C' Property:** 310Sq.ft Undivided share, right title and interest in the land comprised in Schedule "A" property.	**A Rajajinagar Main Branch B. 89420600002296 C.Rs. 50,91,594.81/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety four and Paisa Eighty One only) as on 12.09-2024 with further interest from 13.09.2024 along with costs and other charges etc.**	**07.07.2026 from 2.00 PM to 6.00 PM**	**A.Rs.72,87,000/- B.Rs.7,28,700/- C. Rs.100000/- D. 07.07.2026 till 6.00pm E. Symbolic Possession**	**With Prior Permission From Authorised Officer Contact : 080-23123267/ 8353**

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Flick extends Barca contract

Barcelona and Hansi Flick have reached a deal to extend the coach's contract until 2028 with the option for an another season. Barcelona said the 61-year-old Flick, whom they call the "architect of a winning Barca," signed his new contract on Monday. Flick had previously coached Bayern Munich and Germany's national team.

BCCI: 2018 under RTI, now not 'public authority'

Then Central Information Commission held that the Indian cricket board was to be bound by RTI but order reversed by the same body eight years later

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

THE Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) coming under the Right to Information (RTI) Act has taken another twist.

On Monday, the Central Information Commission (CIC) reversed its own decision of 2018 and ruled that BCCI is not a public authority and should not come under the Act. The Information Commissioner, PR Ramesh, ruled in favour of the BCCI and said that "the BCCI is neither owned, controlled, nor substantially financed, directly or indirectly, by funds provided by the appropriate Government".

Hence, Ramesh said in his order, "the BCCI cannot be classified as a "Public Authority" within the meaning of Section 2(h) of the RTI Act and the provisions of the Act are therefore inapplicable to it in the facts and circumstances of the present case". Though the BCCI does not take funds from the government but it does get tax exemptions and some of the state associations use facilities or land of the government on lease. But the CIC said: "Incidental benefits such as tax exemptions or access to infrastructure do not qualify unless the entity is dependent on them for survival." The order also delved into the Supreme Court order in the BCCI vs Cricket Association of Bihar where the court had spoken about its jurisdiction since it discharges 'public function'.

"The directions issued by this Court proceeded on a clear finding recorded by this Court that even when BCCI is not "State" within the meaning of Article 12 of the Constitution of India, it is amenable to the jurisdiction of the High Court since it discharges public functions," said the SC order.

However, the commissioner said that those directions/guidelines were governance-oriented and regulatory in nature. And Lodha Committee recommendations that it should come under RTI too has been dismissed. The order said certain committee reports, such as those of the Lodha Committee and the Law Commission had recommended greater transparency and suggested bringing the BCCI within the ambit of the RTI. Lodha reforms were in place to bring more transparency and accountability in the functioning of the BCCI. But the CIC said: "... these reports are advisory in nature and do not have binding force."

The favourable order for the BCCI also has to do with the new Sports Governance Act, 2025 wherein it made clear that only sports bodies that get funding from the government can be under RTI Act. And BCCI doesn't take funds from the sports ministry. Even the CIC order says so. The 2018 order was charted by then information commissioner M Sridhar Acharyulu, who considered BCCI to be a public authority.

He said that the BCCI should designate central public information officers and other relevant officials mandated under RTI Act. The BCCI had challenged this in Madras High Court and the court directed the CIC to pass appropriate orders in terms of guidelines of SC in the case between BCCI vs CAB. The BCCI had argued in HC that neither the Central Government, nor the State Government brought the petitioner under the ambit of the RTI.

According to the 2018 Acharyulu order: "... considering the substantive issues concerning the nature and functioning of BCCI, based on observations of the Honorable Supreme Court and recommendations of the Law Commission of India, hereby holds the BCCI as the public authority under RTI Act..."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SELECTION TALK

SKY quandary and way forward for India

GOMESH S @ Chennai

Suryakumar Yadav

IT is not often that a T20 World Cup-winning captain's place in a side comes into question immediately after. Not in Indian cricket at least. Until 2026. Two months after Suryakumar Yadav lifted the T20 World Cup trophy in Ahmedabad, the Indian skipper's future with the national team seems to be under the scanner.

Surya rose up the ranks through his consistent performances in the IPL between 2018-2021 before becoming India's best T20I batter in the four years that followed. However, despite not losing a single series as skipper and winning the ICC title, Surya has come under the scanner. The India T20I skipper — Shubman Gill leads in Tests and ODIs — has been going through prolonged lean patch and it has continued through the ongoing Indian Premier League season as well. In 11 matches, Surya has scored 195 runs at 17.72 average and 144.44 strike rate.

Surya has made it clear that he wants to lead India in the 2028 T20 WC and the Olympics shortly after helping India defend the title in March. "...definitely the next goal is the Olympics, Olympic gold and also the T20 World Cup that year. Don't forget," the captain had said.

However, putting into context that he is 35, add the injury concerns, and the next big event is two years away, informal discussions are expected to take place on the way forward for Surya and the T20I team when the selection committee meets on Tuesday to name the squad for the Afghanistan ODIs and lone Test match. The squad for Ireland T20Is, meanwhile, may be picked shortly after the IPL.

At a time when Indian cricket is going through transition in all three formats — the Test team is still settling in, finding new stars; the ODI team has a relatively new captain with Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli still around; last year Gill was named Surya's deputy before being dropped from T20Is — the focus in the next cycle will be in ODIs. However, the question looming at the moment is — what is the way forward for India in T20Is?

Former chief selector MSK Prasad feels Surya could be persisted with till the next captain is groomed. "Only a few months back he won the World Cup. I do understand that his form is definitely cause of concern both in the World Cup or prior to the World Cup and also in the ongoing IPL. I personally feel that more than anything else, all the Indian players who have played in that World Cup, barring Sanju Samson and a couple of people, everybody is looking mentally fatigued. I am sure that they are all extremely talented kids who can come back strong. So, I think it will be very harsh if you take a call on Surya immediately," Prasad said.

Meanwhile, Devang Gandhi, former national selector, believes that the time might be ripe to look ahead. "Definitely, you have to look ahead because this game is all about being informed. See after a certain point of time, you will have to be consistent. You have to keep performing. Otherwise, the way Indian cricket is, the kind of youngsters that are coming through the ranks, we need to definitely promote them (...)."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Dhoni-less CSK lose at home as SRH, GT qualify

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

PAT Cummins' three-wicket haul (3/28) and Ishan Kishan's 47-ball 70 helped Sunrisers Hyderabad get the better of Chennai Super Kings by five wickets in the Indian Premier League at the MA Chidambaram Stadium here on Monday.

With this victory, SRH have secured a spot in the playoffs. Gujarat Titans also made the cut in the process. CSK, meanwhile, have a mathematical chance but they need to win their final match and hope that other results go their way.

On the night, pacer Cummins used all his experience to help the away side restrict CSK to 180/7. Cummins got rid of the dangerous Sanju Samson (who scored 13-ball 27) and youngster Kartik Sharma, who hit 19-ball 32. He later sent back captain Ruturaj Gaikwad, who found the going hard on the night. Dewald Brevis (44 off 27) and Shivam Dube (26 off 23) eventually helped CSK finish with a respectable score. The duo added 59 runs in 38 balls for the fifth wicket.

However, that proved to not be enough as Kishan, with the support of Heinrich Klaasen, played with plenty of conviction. Kishan was dismissed by Anshul Kamboj towards the closing stages but by then, he had done enough damage to help SRH get over the line.

The buiild-up ahead of the match mostly centred around MS Dhoni, who was yet to feature for the five-time champions this season. Given this was their last home match, the home fans were hoping to see their hero in action. However, Dhoni, despite arriving at the stadium on the night, was deemed not to be fit enough for the contest. With three out of four spots sealed, the battle for last playoff spot will be between Punjab Kings, Rajasthan Royals, CSK, Delhi Capitals and Kolkata Knight Riders.

SRH players celebrate a wicket | ASHWIN PRASATH

POINTS TABLE

Team	M	W	L	Pts	NRR
RCB(Q)	13	9	4	18	1.06
GT (Q)	13	8	5	16	0.40
SRH (Q)	13	8	5	16	0.35
PBKS	13	6	6	13	0.22
RR	12	6	6	12	0.02
CSK	13	6	7	12	-0.01
DC	13	6	7	12	-0.87
KKR	12	5	6	11	-0.03
MI	12	4	8	8	-0.50
LSG	12	4	8	8	-0.70

Brief scores: CSK 180/7 in 20 ovs (Brevis 44, Dube 26; Cummins 3/28, Sakib 2/28) **lost to** SRH 181/5 in 19 ovs (Kishan 70, Klaasen 47).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

MUST-WIN TIE FOR RR

RAJASTHAN, IDEALLY PLACED TO QUALIFY TWO WEEKS AGO, HAVE LOST THREE ON THE BOUNCE. ALREADY OUT LUCKNOW EYE ANOTHER SCALP. A LOOK AT THEIR INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE ENCOUNTER ON TUESDAY...

Archer vs Marsh

This has the potentially be a barnburner. **Jofra Archer** has cranked it up all season long and has had a lot of rewards. When he gets going, Mitch Marsh is destructive like he showed the other night. This battle could decide the contest.

Royals' fragile batting

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi has provided the fast starts the team craves but the other members of the batting unit have generally not put their hand up, especially the middle-order. Tuesday would be a good time to redress it.

7.30 PM Jaipur
Star Sports and JioHotstar

Chepauk set for Big Bash opener

GOMESH S @ Chennai

IN what comes as a major development, Australian cricket is coming to Chennai later this year. The next season's Big Bash League opener is set to be held at the MA Chidambaram Stadium in the second week of December.

While the official announcement has not yet been made, it appears the Board of Control for Cricket in India has approved it, following months of visits and talks by Cricket Australia representatives. Earlier in February, a two-member delegation had visited the city and the stadium, exploring the prospect of hosting a few BBL games in Chennai.

Despite initial hesitation from the BCCI, things moved forward positively in the months that followed. On Monday, as Chennai Super Kings took on Sunrisers Hyderabad, a five-member delegation from Cricket Australia visited the venue and watched the match from the stands. Similarly, the BCCI, as well as the Australian government and trade fraternity, were also involved in the talks that led to the positive development. Meanwhile, one CA representative, who refused to confirm the development, said: "We are not in a position to announce anything yet. We are exploring the potential of Chennai in partnership with the Australian Government."

When the idea was explored initially, one of the biggest challenges was scheduling, especially considering that BBL coincides with the Indian domestic cricket season.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

No relief to wrestler Vinesh from Delhi HC

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

Vinesh Phogat

DAYS after she was denied participation in the Senior Open Ranking Tournament in Nandini Nagar, Gonda (Uttar Pradesh), two-time World Championships bronze medallist wrestler Vinesh Phogat could not get relief despite filing an extraordinary writ petition before the High Court of Delhi.

The court, while hearing the petition filed on May 13, said on Monday that it will first examine the selection policy issued by the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) for marquee events like 2026 Asian Games before passing an order. The matter listed for July 6 which will be after the selection trials on May 30 in New Delhi, which will practically end Vinesh's hopes of competing in the trials. Vinesh filed the petition seeking multiple reliefs including permission to participate in the selection trials to pick the Indian team for the Asian Games.

Meanwhile, as many as 21 wrestlers also approached the court opposing Vinesh's writ petition claiming it would directly affect them. The court directed them to file a formal application in this regard. "The court did not permit Vinesh to participate in the selection trials of the Asian Games that are to be held on 30.5.2026. The court had further said that without examining the policy for selection no order can be passed," Hemant Phalpher, WFI's counsel, told this daily.

Vinesh prayed to the court to stay operation, implementation and effect of the show-cause notice issued to her on May 9, permit her, pending disposal of the present petition, to participate provisionally in all WFI competitions and selection processes including the Asian Games. Vinesh has been at loggerheads with the federation for more than three years now since the protest where she levelled sexual harassment charges against its president Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh in 2023.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Pragg held by Foreest; Keymer surges ahead

BUCHAREST: Indian GM R Praggnanandhaa played out a draw with Dutchman Jorden Van Foreest as Germany's Vincent Keymer surged ahead following a facile victory in the fourth round of Super Chess Classic here. Praggnanandhaa inched to 2.5 points out of a possible four.

Olympian Jennifer Paes, Leander's mother, dies

NEW DELHI: Former India basketball captain and Olympian Jennifer Paes, mother of tennis ace Leander Paes, passed away on Sunday after a prolonged battle with cancer. She was 72. Jennifer represented India at the 1972 Munich Olympics and later captained the national team.

Hockey: Lalthantluangi gets call-up for Oz tour

NEW DELHI: Defender Lalthantluangi on Monday received her maiden senior team call-up for the upcoming tour of Australia, where seasoned midfielder Salima Tete will lead the Indian women's hockey team. The tour is scheduled from May 26 to 30 in Perth.

Chauhan re-elected as CCA chairman

NEW DELHI: Bharat Singh Chauhan has been re-elected as the Chairman of the Commonwealth Chess Association (CCA). The elections were held during the AGM of the Commonwealth Chess Association in Wasakaduwa, Sri Lanka on Sunday.

Major delight for England's Aaron

NEWTOWN SQUARE (US): Aaron Rai won his first Major title by capturing the PGA Championship, making birdies on four of the last eight holes to become first Englishman to win the event in 107 years. Rai sealed a tense back-nine shootout with a 68-foot birdie putt on the par-three 17th.

FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

PSG's Dembele to undergo treatment before CL final

AGENCIES @ Paris

PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN forward Ousmane Dembele needs treatment for a right calf issue, the French club said Monday, ahead of the Champions League final against Arsenal later this month.

The Ballon d'Or winner was substituted after half an hour during Sunday's 2-1 Ligue 1 defeat against Paris FC "as a precaution after experiencing some discomfort in his right calf," PSG said in a statement.

"Dembele will be having treatment over the next few days," the club added.

The 29-year-old did not appear to be struggling when he left the field and boarded the team bus after the match without limping. "I think it is just due to fatigue," coach Luis Enrique told the press on Sunday.

"It has been a tricky end to the season but now we have two weeks to prepare for the biggest match in our history."

The former Barcelona player has suffered numerous physical setbacks this season, particularly thigh and calf issues.

Iran team lands in Turkey

ANTALYA: Iran's football team arrived in Turkey on Monday for a training camp and to complete visa applications ahead of the 2026 World Cup, according to a news agency.

Iran football team exit a terminal following their arrival in Turkey on Monday | AFP

The 22 players and coaching staff in the "Team Melli" delegation flew into the Turkish resort of Antalya where they could be seen leaving the airport dressed in navy blue tracksuits. The players were to stay several weeks before heading to the global tournament that is being co-hosted by the United States, which began bombing Iran on February 28 alongside Israel, sparking war.

Lopez set to miss WC

BARCELONA: Spain midfielder Fermin Lopez is set to miss the World Cup because of a fracture on his right foot. Barcelona said the 23-year-old will need to undergo surgery to treat the injury sustained in the team's league tie on Sunday.

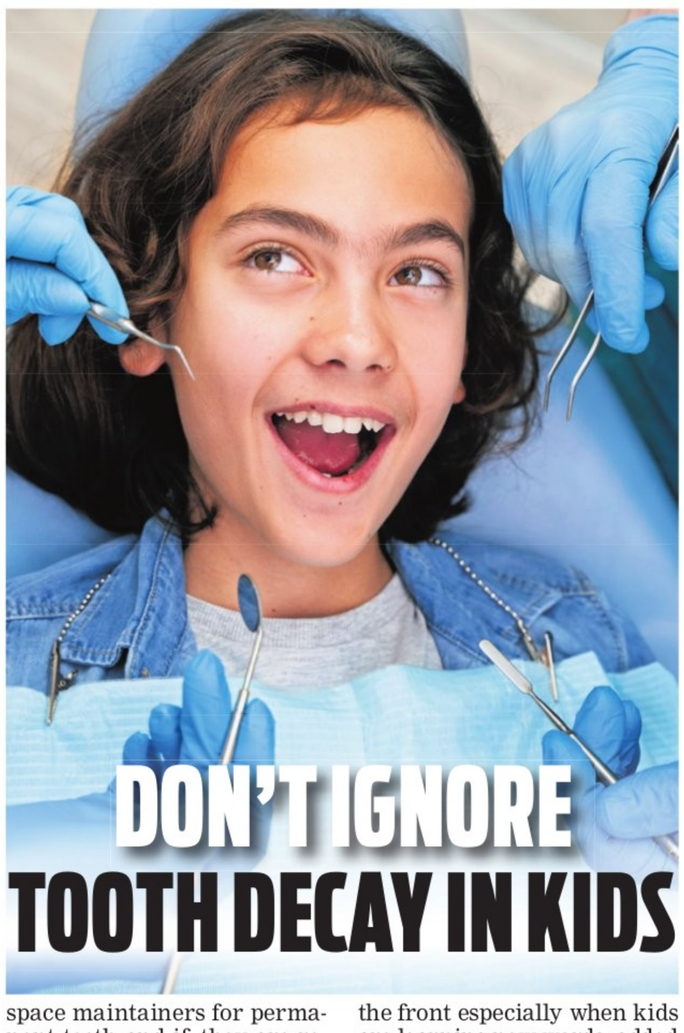
KBFC finish ISL season with win

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

NDIAYE Fallou's winner helped Kerala Blasters win by 2-1 against FC Goa in their final Indian Super League match in Kochi on Monday. With this victory, the Blasters ended their season at 17 points. This was fourth successive victory and their unbeaten run stretched to six matches.

The first half, apart from Goa's shot on target in stoppage time, did not have any standout moments. But it all changed in the second half. Kevin Yoke opened the scoring two minutes into the half with a beautiful curler. Coming from the left channel, Yoke cut in to his right, and his attempt from the edge of the box found the top right corner. Mohammed Nemil equalised for Goa before Fallou's strike in the 81st minute.

The mouth is full of several types of microorganisms which will act on any food remnants to produce acid. If proper dental hygiene is not maintained, the acid will slowly eat away the different layers of the teeth



DON'T IGNORE TOOTH DECAY IN KIDS

SINDUJA JANE @ Chennai

DOCTORS are calling for greater awareness on kids' oral health amid the rise in tooth decay cases. They say there is a misconception among parents that decay and cavities in milk teeth is not a serious concern as it will eventually fall and be replaced by permanent teeth. However, if the cavities are not treated on time, it can affect mastication (chewing) and development of new teeth.

Take the case of Aadhav (name changed), a baby less than two years old, who was brought to a dental clinic with early childhood dental caries (multiple tooth decay). One of the reasons for tooth decay is frequent and on demand breastfeeding at night (during the nap) and not maintaining oral hygiene. "Frequent exposure to liquids with sugars such as fruit juice and milk with sugar, followed by improper oral hygiene appropriate for that age, can cause tooth decay," said Dr Ponnudurai Arangannal, paediatric dentist. In the case of Aadhav, the baby boy required a full mouth rehabilitation including a pulpectomy (tooth root canal procedure for babies). Early childhood caries or "baby bottle tooth decay" is not caused by a single factor but is typically the result of combination of dietary, behaviour and biological influences. "Though bottle-feeding and breastfeeding can cause cavities, bottle feeding is considered more destructive. In modern day kids we see reasons like prolonged eating duration (more than 30 min) and increased screen time during meal time as attributing factors for caries," says Dr Hariharan, joint director, Kidzn-teenz Exclusive Pediatric Dental centre, Chennai.

There are 20 milk teeth and they begin erupting around six to 24 months, and start shedding from six to 11 years. They are important as they play a role in jaw growth and development. Milk teeth are natural space maintainers for permanent teeth and if they are removed early, especially the teeth at the back, the adjacent teeth will migrate and the space will be lost and also cause misalignment of teeth.

"There is a misconception among parents that if baby teeth fall before 12 years, then permanent teeth will replace them. The fact is there are only 20 baby teeth, but there are 32 permanent teeth. The 20 baby teeth will be replaced by the permanent teeth apart from the three permanent molars on each side. If these fall, then they will not be replaced. They are lost for life," said Dr Girish Karandikar, former chairman of Indian Board of Orthodontics. Pronunciation of certain words also requires the teeth in the front especially when kids are learning new words, added Dr Hariharan.

"White, chalky, or opaque lines that often appear near the gumline are one of the earliest signs of demineralisation. As the decay progresses, these white spots may turn brown or black, signalling a cavity. Irritability, difficulty sleeping or avoiding chewing on one side of the mouth can sometimes indicate dental pain or sensitivity," said Dr Ponnudurai.

Prevention better than cure

As the saying goes – prevention is better than cure – never put a child to bed with a bottle containing milk, juice or formula. Only water should be used for overnight bottles.

Prevention includes correction of bad food habits, inclusions of good brushing habits/cleaning habits (especially in very young children), periodic paediatric dental visits right from the first tooth eruption (6-8 months of age). "Based on the observations, paediatric dentists recommend periodic fluoride application and preventive fissure sealants. Remineralising agents are quite helpful in pre-cavity stages, said Dr Hariharan.

The mouth is full of several types of microorganisms which will act on any food remnants to produce acid. If proper dental hygiene is not maintained, it slowly eat away the different layers of the teeth. "The tooth is made up of three layers – enamel (protective hard outer layer), dentin (sensitive, supportive inner layer) and pulp (innermost core with nerves and blood vessels). The acid produced will eat away the dentin. When this happens, organisms can reach the pulp which is considered as the heart of the tooth, and destroy it," said Dr Girish Karandikar.

If the decay is at the initial level, filling alone is required. If there is a deep cavity, pulp therapy is performed. "Pulp therapy (baby tooth root canal) is a treatment to save badly infected or decayed tooth. First a hole is drilled into the tooth and the infected pulp (centre part of tooth) is removed. After cleaning and disinfecting of the inner canals, the space is filled with biocompatible substances to prevent future infections. A crown or a cap is placed over it to restore the strength and function. his final step, and allows it to function normally," said Dr Hariharan. "Root canal in kids, especially in very young children (less than 3 years), is always challenging as their cooperative ability is less. In such kids we require some pharmacological assistance like nitrous oxide sedation, oral sedation and general anaesthesia. Providing safe sedation and anaesthesia is another challenge when compared to adults," added Dr Hariharan.

THE RIGHT WAY OF BRUSHING TEETH

FONE'S TECHNIQUE FOR KIDS (CIRCULAR METHOD)

- Have your child slightly clench their teeth
- Place toothbrush on the outer surface and move in big circular motions. Repeat on inner surfaces too
- Circular motion isn't effective on the flat, uneven chewing surfaces of molars. For these, switch to a simple back-and-forth scrubbing motion

MODIFIED BASS TECHNIQUE

- Place bristles along the gumline at a 45 degree angle. Bristles should contact both the tooth surface and the gumline
- Gently brush the outer surface of 2-3 teeth using a vibrating back, forth and rolling motion. Move to the next group of 2-3 teeth and repeat
- Repeat the previous step on the inner tooth surfaces
- Tilt the brush vertically behind the front teeth. Make several up and down strokes using the front half of the brush
- Place the brush against the biting surface of the teeth and use a gentle back and forth scrubbing motion. Brush the tongue from back to front to remove odour-producing bacteria

FLOSSING, MOUTHWASH CAN'T REPLACE BRUSHING

SINDUJA JANE @ Chennai

BRUSHING removes plaque from the surface of the tooth and is irreplaceable by flossing or mouthwash. "Ideally, one should first floss, then brush and finally mouthwash," said Dr SM Balaji, senior consultant, maxillofacial reconstructive surgeon, Balaji Craniofacial Hospital, Chennai.

Dental floss is a mechanical cleaning tool like a toothbrush. It specifically removes food particles, and plaque from between teeth and just below the gumline, where a toothbrush cannot reach. Mouthwash is a chemical, antimicrobial rinse. It reaches all surfaces of the tooth and mouth, kills bacteria, reduces inflammation, and freshens the breath. "But they are not an alternative to brushing," says Dr Balaji. "Floss first to loosen debris between teeth, brush to sweep it all away, then rinse with mouthwash to flush out remaining bacteria and coat the mouth with protective agents. Using mouthwash before brushing wastes its protective benefit," Balaji added.

People having implants or fixed dentures, or crooked teeth should floss carefully. "Flossing reduces the risk of bone loss around teeth. Should use dental floss once daily, ideally at night before bed, Balaji said.

Mouthwash on the other hand kills bacteria and reduces gingivitis, strengthens enamel (fluoride variants), relieves dry mouth (specific variants), and freshens breath beyond what brushing achieves. After brushing, twice daily, rinse for 30-60 seconds and do not eat or drink for 30 minutes after for maximum effect, Dr Balaji added.

VISIT THE DENTIST AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR

CHENNAI: Ananya (name changed) was 32-years-old when she went to the dentist to fix her crooked teeth. When the doctor asked what prompted her to fix it now, she said it did not look good in the selfie she had shot. "Unless they find it a problem, people don't come to the dentist and ignore regular dental checkups. Crooked teeth can affect the facial structure and also pronunciation of some words. But people don't realise it," said Dr Prathapan Parayaruthottam, professor in the department of orthodontics, Government Dental College, Alappuzha, Kerala. Dentists point out that people don't understand that oral health is a sign of overall health and don't come to the hospital unless there is some tooth problem. Regular checkups once in six months to a year, depending on the individual's oral hygiene, should be made their routine, say dentists. Regular checkups can prevent costly treatments. "Teeth are important to carry out functions like speaking, chewing, pronunciation of certain words among other things apart from aesthetics. Just like lack of one finger in hand is a mutation, missing a tooth also is mutation. But not many will realise this. Because of this, they continue to ignore periodic examinations. Periodic examinations will save teeth and protect gums," said Dr Prathapan. Periodic checkups will also allow early detection of gum diseases and oral cancer, thereby preventing its progression. ENS

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This is to inform the general public that my client **MAYANK SHEKHAR**, Adhar Card No.753264194576, Mob.9934633547, at: Flat No.202, 2nd Floor, Srivari Pride Apartment, B.Narayanpura, Doorvaninagar Post, Bangalore-560016, has lost the original Sale Deed document No. MDP-1-05095-2007-08, entered in CD No.MDPD17, Dt:27/02/2008, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Mahadevapura, Bangalore, relating to Flat No. 202, E-Katha No. 9321179790, Property No.1530/F No/SF-202/1229/1230/05, in the Second Floor, with 1516 Sq.ft., Super Built Up Area, and 490.5 Sq.ft UDS, in the Apartment "SRIVARI PRIDE" at B.NARAYANAPURA, K.R.PURAM HOBLI, BANGALORE EAST TALUK, under GBA limits Bangalore. The FIR registered for Loss of the same vide Lost Report No.2207383/2026, Bangalore City, dated:17-05-2026.

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CORRIGENDUM - I

Sl.No	Description	Details
1	Name of work	Horizontal Extension of CATVAC Cleanroom at ISITE Campus, Marathahalli, Bengaluru (Civil, Electrical, Airconditioning and other allied works).
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/C/C/01/2026-27 dated: 08/04/2026
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 491.72 Lakhs
4	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	Extended upto 16.30 hrs on 29/05/2026
5	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Up to 14.30 hrs. on 05/06/2026
6	Due date and time of opening of tenders	After 14.31 hrs on 05/06/2026

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**.

Sd/-,
Group Director, C&MG, URSC

Government of Karnataka
RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DIVISION, BIDAR

Ref:EE/RDWSD/Bidar/Tender/PB-5/2026-27/ Date: 18.05.2026.

Short Term Tender Notification

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer RDWS & S Division Bidar invites Tenders from eligible bidders for the works above **Rs.45.00 To 93.00 Lakhs** (02 works) as per KG-2 Standard Tender Bid Document under H/A EAP SDP and EAP Non-SDP through e-Procurement platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only. The KTPP Act shall be followed. TIME SCHEDULE:- 1) Notification Date and Download of tender schedule documents through e portal **18.05.2026 to 27.05.2026,** 2) Last date for submission of bids **27.05.2026 Time : 17.00 PM,** 3) Date & Time of Technical bid opening **29.05.2026 Time : 11.30 AM,** 4) Date & Time of Financial bid opening After Technical bid Approval For details of works and conditions, please contact this office in office hours or visit website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in where the details are available.

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Sd/- Executive Engineer,
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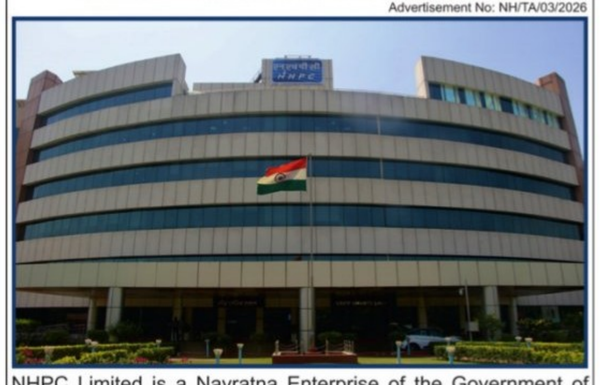

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Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Secured Asset to be enforced	Date of Notice sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
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Date: May 19, 2026
Place: Bangalore

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For ICICI Bank Ltd.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY / SECURED ASSET
(As per Rule 8 (6) & 9 (1) of The Security Interest Rules, 2002)

E-Auction Notice for sale of secured Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the secured creditor Bank, the **Physical Possession** of which is taken by the Authorised Officer of **NKGSB CO-OP.BANK LTD**. The secured asset will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis" and "WITHOUT RECOURSE" on 25/06/2026** for the recovery of outstanding amount as mentioned below due to the NKGSB CO-OP.BANK LTD (Secured Creditor) from the respective Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s) as specified here under. The reserve price and earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective Borrower/property.

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NAME OF BORROWERS / MORTGAGORS/ GUARANTORS	A] Date of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI Act 2002 B]Outstanding amount as on 16/05/2026 (Rs.In Lacs) C]Date of Physical Possession	RESERVE PRICE (Rs. in lacs)	EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (Rs. in lacs)	BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT (Rs. in lacs)
1. Mr. H Rangaswamy Anand (Borrower & Mortgagor) 2. Mrs. H Anand Geetha(Co-Borrower) 3. Mr. H Anand Nithin (Guarantor)	A] 22/06/2021 B] Rs.53.96 C] 19/01/2026	174.05	17.41	1.00

DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of Property No. 08 (in erstwhile Sy. No. 74), present BBMP Khatha No. 8/74, 11th Main, Raghavendra Temple Road, Kammagondanahalli, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BANGALORE - 560 015, measuring East to West: 40.00 ft. and North to South: 51+52/2 ft., in all measuring 2060.00 sq. ft., within the limits of BBMP, New Ward No. 12, together with building/s, heritedaments, easementary rights thereon and the said Property is bounded on the:-

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	2) Litigations in respect of secured asset adopted by the Borrowers will be shared to the interested purchaser by the Authorised officer before the submission of the bids.
For Inspection on Demand Contact- Mr.Swarup Wakade on Mobile No.7666948239 / Mr.Pravin Kamath on Mobile No.9742666907	

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STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

Place:Mumbai
Date: 19/05/2026

Sd/-,
AUTHORISED OFFICER
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Government of Karnataka
Water Resources Department
Tunga Bhadra Project CADA Division, Munirabad, District Koppal – 583 233
e-mail: cadatbpee@gmail.com

No.EE/CADA/MCAD/TP-Dn/2026-27/71 Date : 15-05-2026

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of the Government of Karnataka, tenders are invited on LUMPSUM TURN-KEY basis in Two Cover System on Karnataka Public Procurement (KPP) Portal from registered Class -1 KPWD/CPWD Contractor for the following work.

1) Details of work: Selection of Irrigation Service Provider (ISP)/Contractor for the development of Pressurized Piped Irrigation Network (PPIN) and provision of irrigation services to 2600.00 Ha in Distributary 54 9R of Tungabhadra Left Bank Canal; Taluk: Sindhanoor, District: Raichur , State: Karnataka under Modernization of Command Area Development & Water Management (M-CADWM) scheme comprising Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Pressurized Piped Irrigation Network including Construction of Intake structure, Sump cum Pump house, Pumping machineries, Terminal Bay, Electrical substation, Electrical power line, SCADA & Automation, Solar Power Plant including power evacuation arrangements and other appurtenant works (Assisting in Non-structural activities) including Operation and Maintenance for the period of 5 years etc., complete on Lumpsum Turn-key basis. **(INDENT No: TCADA/2026-27/IW/Work_Indent No:137) 2) Name of the Scheme:** Centrally Sponsored M-CADWM (SAMRIDHI) Scheme **3) Amount Put to tender:** Rs.4982.08 Lakhs. **4) Tender Processing Fee:** As per Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **5) EMD Amount:** Rs. 50.00 Lakhs **6) Construction Period:** Construction Period Upto 30th September 2026 and 5 years O & M Period from the date of completion of The project **7) Tender Documents access from K-PP Portal:** From**18-05-2026** on the website : https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in **8) Pre-bid Meeting Date Time& Place: 27-05-2026** at 11.00 Hours in O/o Executive Engineer, TBP CADA, Division, Munirabad. **9) The last date & time for receipt of tenders: 03-06-2026** Up to 17.00 Hours **10) Date & Time for opening of Technical bid: 05-06-2026** at 11.00 Hours **11) Opening of Financial bid:** After approval of Technical Bids, the financial bids of the successful tenderers will be opened.

Any change in Calendar of events/addendums/corrigendum to tenders will not be published in News Papers and the same will be published only on Karnataka Public Procurement Portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
TBP CADA Division, Munirabad

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CORRIGENDUM - III

Sl.No	Description	Details
1	Name of work	Remodelling of Old labs – Clean room for HMC lab at URSC Main Campus, Bengaluru – Civil, Electrical, AC & Mechanical Works – Phase-II.
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/E/C/23/2025-26 Dt.12/03/2026
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 326.52 Lakhs
4	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	Extended upto: 23:59 Hrs. on 25/05/2026
5	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Extended upto 14:00 Hrs. on 01/06/2026
6	Due date and time of opening of tenders	Extended upto 14:30 Hrs. on 01/06/2026

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Here's what's happening in Bengaluru!

PG 2

CITY-BASED SENIOR ACTOR PRAKASH BELAWADI AND ACTOR-DIRECTOR SAMRAGNI RAJAN, WHO APPEAR IN THE SPY THRILLER *PATRIOT*, OPEN UP ABOUT SHARING THE SCREEN WITH CINEMA LEGENDS MOHANLAL AND MAMMOOTTY, WHILE DISCUSSING THE FILM'S MORALLY-GREY & POLITICALLY-LAYERED WORLD

'NO IDEOLOGY CAN FULLY COMPREHEND THE COMPLEXITIES'

A still from *Patriot* featuring Mammootty and Mohanlal

SRUTHI HEMACHANDRAN

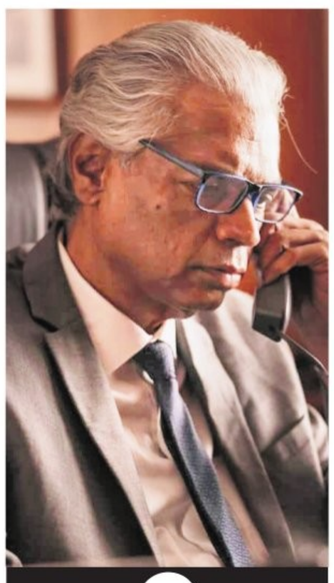
VETERAN actor filmmaker and writer **Prakash Belawadi**, known for his wide-ranging work across cinema, theatre and writing, continues to bring a grounded, intellectually-engaged presence to his roles. In his latest outing *Patriot*, helmed by Mahesh Narayanan, he appears alongside Mammootty and Mohanlal in an ensemble-driven narrative. The film unfolds through shifting perspectives and controlled tension, where personal and political stakes constantly intersect in a story about technology being used by the government and corporations to spy on citizens.

Away in Australia, Belawadi speaks about the making of the film and the world it builds.

Excerpts:

What first interested you about *Patriot* as a script?
The story seemed fresh, something like *Enemy of the State*, or so it seemed to me.

How do you look back at the experience of being on set with Mammootty and Mohanlal?
It was a big moment for me... they are great actors. Though I've watched only a handful of his films, I've felt Mohanlal is the best screen actor of our times. So, it was a moment to cherish. The few conversations I got with them were rewarding. They are well-informed and intelligent people, who care for their work, with indelible charisma. And Fahad (Faasil) too, with whom I had worked before in *Take Off*!



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Prakash Belawadi, actor-director

Mahesh Narayanan's films often sit in a morally-grey space rather than offering easy heroes or villains. Did *Patriot* feel similar to you while performing it?
He has scale in his imagination. He thinks big and, as an editor, is very sure of his cuts. He makes you feel that he has already seen the film he is shooting. What is gripping in his work is the moral dilemma he creates for a character, always a problem that is also central to the film's theme.

The film deals with politics and power quite intensely. As an actor, how do you approach a story that can be interpreted in various different ways by audiences?
It depends on how each person sees the role of the State. Should the State be endowed with power, or with responsibility? When politicians are elected to govern, do have a mandate to rule, or to serve the people? Whose interests do they represent? When in government, they must represent not only those who voted for them, but also those who voted against them. But will they tolerate dissent? These are big questions... An actor must do as the character thinks, rather than go by his or her personal political choices.

Do you think contemporary cinema is becoming more comfortable with politically-layered storytelling?
No, not yet. When makers are confronted with a 'grey' situation, they tend to nudge it towards black or white. No ideology can fully comprehend the complexities of human thought and action, nor the troubling realities we create.

How would you describe your character and his importance to the story?
It is a small role, but representing the reality of a big 'character'. Someone operating in the grey moral zone of political reality, negotiating between what is right and what is possible.

You often play characters with intellectual presence. How do you avoid repeating yourself while taking on such roles?
I don't avoid it if it's a good story in the hands of a good director.

Prakash Belawadi with Mammootty (Left)

Brief role, big dreams

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

IN the high-intensity spy thriller that is *Patriot*, a brief scene in which industry giants Revathi and Mammootty share the screen has city-based actor-director **Samragni Rajan** making a blink-and-miss appearance as government employee Mrinalini Saha. "The first day of shoot was also the day I shot the scene with Revathi ma'am and Mammootty sir. They have a small conversation about me. Even though it is the character they are talking about, it was really special," says Rajan, recalling her favourite moment on set.

The actor, who has previously appeared in the Malayalam web series *M.E.N.A.K.A* and the Tamil film *Aaryan* got involved with *Patriot* through an unexpected call from an old film school friend, editor Mithun KR, who let her know there was a role to fill. "I sent in an introduction tape, and a lot of time passed. They were filming in Sri Lanka at the time, so I reassured myself saying they'll respond when they do. Later, it fell into place quickly – it was wonderfully lucky."

Though the role is a small one and her focus was on movement rather than dialogue, Rajan notes that Mahesh Narayanan's direction eased things.

She says, "His guidance was focused on what I had to 'do', and that made the entire process so easy. My first shot was of me walking, and that set the pace and gave me a good sense of the character. It was mostly about me reacting and responding, so I had to be attentive."

PIC: V J WESLEY

Rajan has been involved as a director in her acting projects. She adds that letting go of the reigns was a fun change, saying, "I got to just show up and be Mrinalini and go back and not have to think about what we need for tomorrow, whether we already have that, coordinate things... I enjoyed not having that stress."

With shooting underway for her next project, *Margosa Mahal*, with three-time State Award-winning BM Giriraj and starring Dhanya Balakrishna and Vinay Gowda, Rajan says she will carry with her the lessons she learnt 'being a fly on the wall' in *Patriot*. "Watching Mahesh sir directing Mammootty sir and Revathi ma'am was a delight. They are warm and generous, even when the scene they are playing has a different mood. The takeaway is simple – it's how they show up, know their lines and are fully present. That's all you have to do as an actor," she concludes.

CITY READ

Iconic Lorca play to be staged on May 30

Jagriti Theatre's production of Spanish playwright Federico García Lorca's final masterpiece, *The House of Bernarda Alba*, is set to be staged at Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar, on May 30 with shows at 3.30pm and 7.30pm. Written in 1936 shortly before Lorca's assassination during the Spanish Civil War, the play remains a powerful exploration of repression, patriarchy and silence. Set in a household locked in mourning for 8 years by the domineering Bernarda Alba, the drama follows the simmering tensions among her five daughters as desire, jealousy and defiance begin to surface behind closed doors. Directed by Arundhati Raja, the black-and-white production uses projections and music to examine themes of gender, class, sexuality and inherited violence. The 80-minute English play is open to audiences aged 14 and above. Tickets are available on bookmyshow.com.

Students raise ₹15L for critically-ill children

Students of Canadian International School raised over ₹15 lakh through a two-week student-led crowdfunding campaign in support of Make-A-Wish India, helping fund wishes for more than 150 critically ill children across the country. Students independently created fundraising campaigns, designed posters and reached out to donors through calls and messages to mobilise support for the initiative. The funds raised will help fulfil wishes ranging from meeting heroes to experiencing long-awaited dreams and gifts for children undergoing critical medical treatment. Grade 7 students Navika and Avani, who participated in the campaign, said the initiative taught them empathy, kindness and the importance of helping those in need. Principal Andrew Nicholson said the crowdfunding process helped students develop a deeper emotional understanding and encouraged them to actively contribute towards bringing joy and positivity to critically-ill children.

Eka Lakhani reflects on her Met Gala debut with KJo, who sported an ensemble inspired by celebrated artist Raja Ravi Varma

Threads of Grandeur

TEJAL SINHA

A silk saree gracefully draped on Trisha Krishnan at a recent event, the royal grandeur of *Ponniyin Selvan*, edgy contemporary silhouettes for Ranveer Singh, rooted looks for Prithviraj Sukumaran, the effortless cool of *Ok Jaanu* and *Rocky Aur Rani Kii Prem Kahaani*, the emotional worlds of *The Sky Is Pink* and *Sanju*, and now Karan Johar's regal Met Gala debut inspired by Raja Ravi Varma – **Eka Lakhani**'s work has become a visual archive of modern Indian cinema and fashion. Recently, her Met Gala debut with Johar was a striking reflection of her love for Indian craftsmanship and contemporary fashion.

"It was his Met Gala debut. It was my Met Gala debut," Lakhani says, adding, "Manish has done the Met Gala before and we were lucky to have him on board. But there was a strong sense of responsibility. We wanted to make sure that the outfit was unmistakably Indian, but that it never became costumey."

For Lakhani, the moment held an even deeper significance. Returning to New York, this time not as a student but as the stylist behind one of the evening's most talked-about Indian appearances, felt surreal. She expresses, "It made me feel so proud of my journey, of my association with Karan, and of India being portrayed in a beautiful way at the Met Gala."

Interestingly, the creative direction emerged instinctively. Once Johar's invitation was confirmed, the conversations around the look naturally led them toward the timeless works of Ravi Varma. "Karan suggested that we should draw inspiration from Ravi Varma. I loved that idea because he was the first artist I ever studied when I started my journey as a costume designer," she recalls.

The vision instantly struck a chord with Manish Malhotra, but reimagining Ravi Varma's timeless grandeur for the modern Met Gala demanded deep research, artistic precision, and a fresh fashion lens. She highlights, "The challenging part was identifying which paintings we wanted to draw inspiration from. The timelines were also intense. But the most exciting part was definitely the fittings day. We were all so thrilled to see the look come alive."

Karan Johar

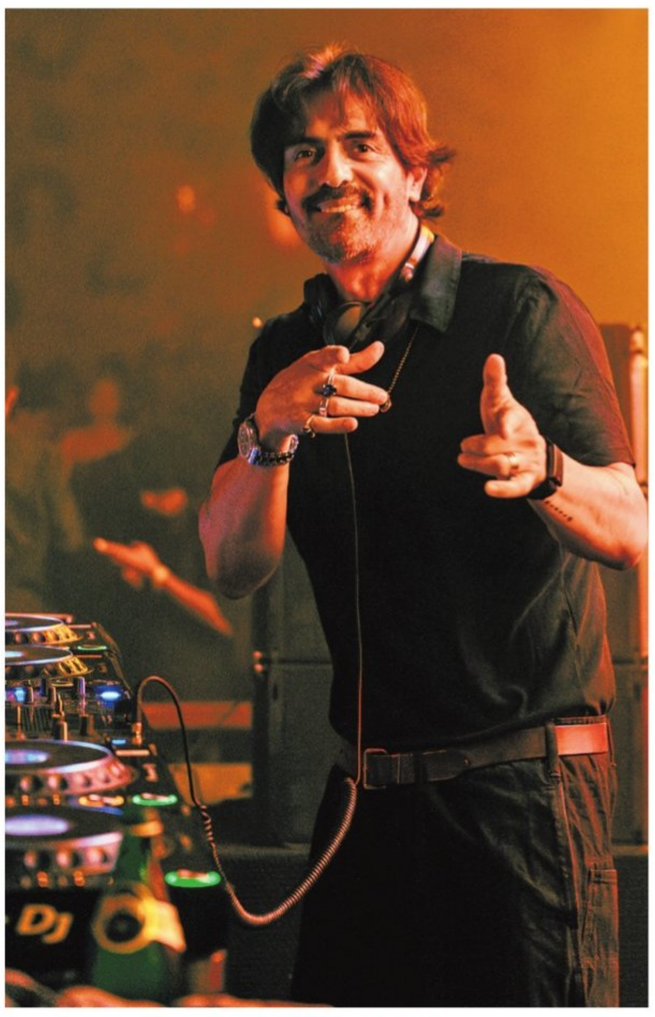
Rather than borrowing superficially from Indian art history, Lakhani approached the look like a wearable interpretation of a painting. "The drape and movement came from the paintings, as did the romantic mood and jewel-tone palette. We looked at temple jewellery references, vintage Indian textiles, and the softness in the way Ravi Varma portrayed royalty and femininity," she notes.

Jewellery, though minimal, became an important finishing touch. Collaborating with Tyani, Johar's jewellery label, the team created vintage-inspired pieces that complemented the mood and colour palette of the outfit. "The jewellery helped bring the entire look together," she adds.

Her sensitivity toward storytelling stems from where her journey began – in South Indian cinema, working closely with filmmaker Mani Ratnam. "I learnt a lot of my art and finesse from him. Everything I do carries a little touch of where my roots in cinema came from," she recounts.

Over the years, working with actors across industries – from Prithviraj Sukumaran and Siddharth to Bollywood stars like Akshay Kumar, Vicky Kaushal and many to the endless list – has only deepened her understanding of how fashion interacts with identity and culture. "Every industry has its own visual culture and audience relationship. With many South Indian actors, there's often a stronger rootedness in craft, textile, and cultural identity, and I completely enjoy exploring that," she explains.

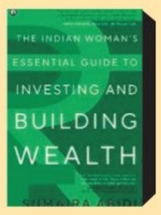
South Indian collaborations have also introduced Lakhani to a rich world of artisanship, as she says, "Working in the South has exposed me to incredible weaves, embroidery traditions, and artisans who deserve much more global visibility." If there's one influence she keeps returning to, though, it is South Indian jewellery. "I'm obsessed with the detailing, layering, and craftsmanship. I try to bring that into the larger fashion conversation whenever possible," she enthuses.



ROCK ON!

Actor Arjun Rampal turned DJ to perform at a sold-out show at Sunburn Union Bengaluru over the weekend

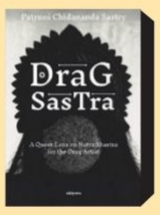
BOOK NOOK



The Indian Woman's Essential Guide To Investing And Building Wealth

By Sumaira Abidi

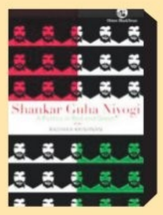
It is designed to help women transform their relationship with money. For too long, women have been encouraged to save but not to invest. Yet, saving alone is rarely enough to build real financial security.



Drag Sastra

By Patruni Chidananda Sastry

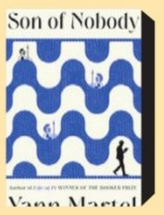
The book moves through Rasa theory, the distinction between Lokadharmi and Natyadharmi as ways of thinking about character and audience, the use of mudras in a drag context, the geometry of drag, and so on.



Shankar Guha Niyogi: A Politics in Red and Green

By Radhika Krishnan

It delves into the rich ideas and experiences of a movement born in Chhattisgarh in 1977 to argue for the possibility of a radically different engagement of labour with questions of ecology and technology.



Son of Nobody

By Yann Martel

It moves between ancient Greece and the present day, but its preoccupation is less with the past itself than with its afterlives.

MAKING A MARK

Curator Archana Shenoy walks visitors, including artist Gurudas Shenoy, through the 'What India Learned to See' exhibit at Gallery G, Lavelle Road, exploring the evolution of printmaking and divine imagery along with it | KEVIN NASHON

QUICKFIX

CLASSIC FRENCH OMELETTE

INGREDIENTS

- **Eggs:** 3
- **Herbs**
- **Chives:** A pinch
- **Tarragon:** A pinch
- **Fresh parsley:** Half tsp
- **Butter:** 50 g

METHOD

- Begin by cracking three large eggs into a mixing bowl, season them with salt and pepper, then beat the eggs until no traces of visible white remain.
- Set a pan over medium heat and melt butter, swirling constantly. Add the egg to the pan followed by the herbs.
- Take a fork and with its tines up, start stirring quickly, working it all over the pan to break up large curds that form on the bottom. Simultaneously shaking the pan back and forth with your other hand helps keep the egg in motion while you stir — the more the egg moves around in the pan, the more evenly it cooks.
- Finally, tilt the pan up by the handle and using your fork, roll the omelette down in half, over itself and serve hot.

Contributed by **Reena Masi,** Delhi

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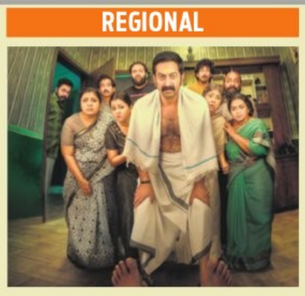

BHARATHANATYAM 2: MOHINIYATTAM (Malayalam)

A family reunites in their late patriarch's hometown to settle affairs, only to uncover a hidden second life and secrets that spark a chaotic coverup.

Cast: Saiju Kurup, Suraj Venjaramoodu, Jagadish

- **Watch on:** Netflix

FOREIGN

MY FAVOURITE WEDDING (English)

An aspiring doctor unexpectedly bonds with the best man at her best friend's wedding. Now she has to decide whether to go home or relocate.

Cast: Maggie Lawson, Paul Greene, Christine Chatelain

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SONG SUNG BLUE (English)

Two down-on-their-luck performers form a Neil Diamond tribute band, proving it's never too late to find love and follow your dreams.

Cast: Kate Hudson, Hugh Jackman, Ella Anderson

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar

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FITBIT

EXERCISES THAT HELP BUILD A V-SHAPED UPPER BODY

A well-built upper body is not only about bigger muscles. Many people aim for a balanced physique with broader shoulders, a wider back and a tighter waistline, commonly known as the V-taper look.

The good news is that this shape is not only dependent on genetics. The right training approach can help improve upper-body width, posture and overall muscle balance over time. The key lies in focusing on the back and shoulder muscles instead of only training arms or chest repeatedly. Here are some effective exercises that help create a stronger and more balanced upper body.

- **PULL-UPS AND LAT PULLDOWNS:** Vertical pulling movements are important for building wider lats, which are the large muscles running along the sides of the back. Pull-ups and lat pulldowns help create upper-body width and improve posture. Different grips can target the muscles slightly differently and prevent training plateaus.
- **STRAIGHT-ARM PULLDOWNS:** This exercise isolates the lats without placing too much pressure on the arms. It helps improve muscle activation and strengthens the connection between the mind and muscles during back training.
- **ROWS FOR BACK THICKNESS:** Exercises like bent-over rows, cable rows and T-bar rows help add thickness and strength to the upper back. A wider back combined with good upper-back development, creates a more balanced appearance.
- **LATERAL RAISES FOR SHOULDER WIDTH:** Side lateral raises target the side deltoid muscles, which help make the shoulders appear broader. Controlled movements work better than swinging heavy weights.
- **FACE PULLS AND REVERSE FLYS:** These exercises strengthen the rear shoulders and upper back, areas often neglected in workouts. They also improve posture, especially for people who spend long hours sitting.
- **DO NOT IGNORE NUTRITION AND RECOVERY:** Training alone will not create visible changes. Adequate protein, recovery and body-fat management also play an important role in improving muscle definition and overall shape.

Building a balanced upper body takes consistence and patience. Instead of chasing heavy weights alone, focus on proper form, controlled reps and regular training. Small improvements over time often lead to great physical changes.

By Chandrashekhar G, fitness expert, cult — a fitness and wellness platform

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Dribble Along

Immerse yourself in a beginner-friendly sturctured session that includes cardio, strength training and basketball skills. This 75-minute long event is designed for working professionals and students who are just looking to have fun and be fit.

WHEN: May 19, 7am

WHERE: MN Krishna Rao Park Basketball Court, Jayanagar

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

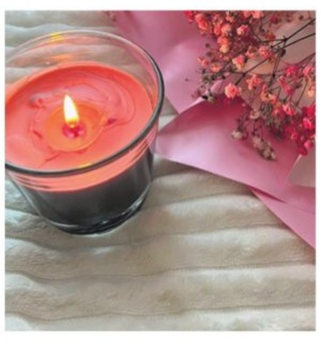
City Explores

Discover Bengaluru on a walk tour through Malleswaram. Explore markets, savour idlis and visit an ancient temple along the 3 km walk. At the end, take home souvenirs and a postcard to remember the experience.

WHEN: May 19, 8.15am onwards

WHERE: Meeting point – Mantri Square Mall, Malleswaram

DETAILS: airbnb.co.in



Fragrant Learning

Indulge in a workshop where you'll learn the art of candle making to create beautiful, fragrant candles. Anyone from kids (10+) to teens and adults can join to learn how to blend fragrances, choose the right wax, colour, layer and add finishing touches. Tools and materials included.

WHEN: May 19, 12pm onwards

WHERE: Hobby Ghar, Seshadripuram

CALL: 95355 55644

Paint Your Way

Enjoy this workshop where you can learn how to paint and create a landscape on canvas using acrylic paints. With all materials provided, feel the joy of creating with like-minded people.

WHEN: May 19, 5pm

WHERE: Art Beat, HSR Layout

CALL: 73539 41419

Fiery Narratives

Jnathaparva is a play drawn from the *Mahabharata*, a story that depicts Draupadi's humiliation and resistance against the lecherous Keechaka during the Pandavas' Agyatavasa in King Virata's palace. The play intends to show the ultimate fate of those who disrespect and lust after women.

WHEN: May 19, 6.30pm

WHERE: Ravindra Kalakshetra, JC Road

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Mango Delights

Celebrate the king of fruits with a vibrant spread of handcrafted mango desserts. From cheesecakes to pastries and tropical delights, relish the seasonal flavours.

WHEN: May 19, 8am

WHERE: Whitefield Baking Company, Bengaluru Marriott Hotel, Whitefield

CALL: 80494 35000

Party Vibes

At this night out with **DJ Zia**, dance along to the perfect mix of beats, energy and a vibe that keeps the vibe alive from start to finish. Enjoy a high-powered experience and groove away.

WHEN: May 19, 10pm

WHERE: House of Dopamine, Koramangala

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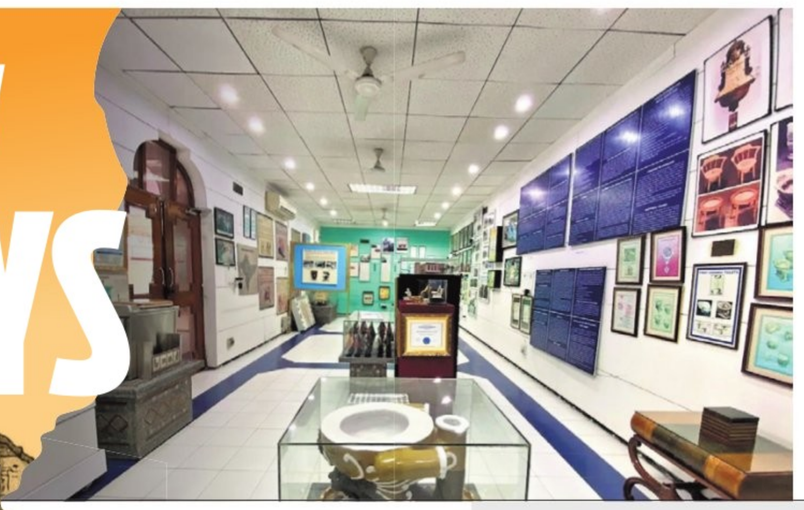
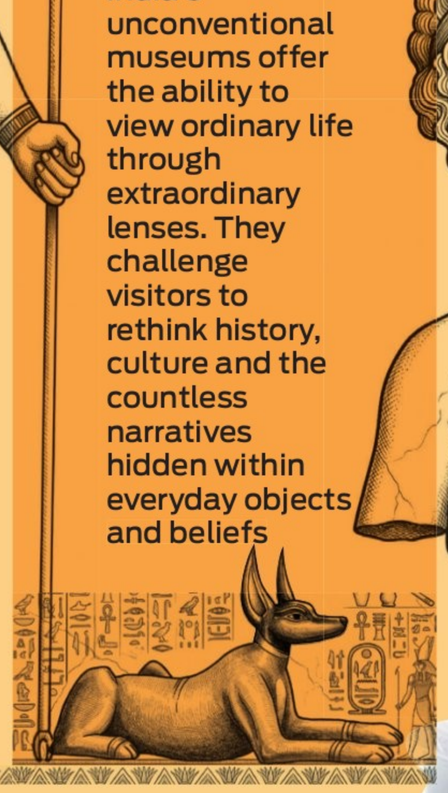
NATURE MUSINGS

Deeply rooted in Bhil traditions and folklore, Bhuri Bai's work transforms indigenous motifs into vivid compositions that explore themes of nature, community and cultural identity

BEYOND DUSTY DISPLAYS



India's unconventional museums offer the ability to view ordinary life through extraordinary lenses. They challenge visitors to rethink history, culture and the countless narratives hidden within everyday objects and beliefs



JITHA KARTHIKEYAN

MUSEUMS are often described as gateways to the past, but they are equally, mirrors of the present and windows into the future. To understand the future, one must first observe the present; to understand the present, one must study the past. Few places enable this journey of reflection as museums do, for within their walls lie stories of human evolution, culture, innovation and belief systems that continue to shape societies across generations.

Yet, while iconic institutions such as The Louvre dominate travel bucket lists and are considered worthy of standing for long hours in longer queues, Indian museums are often burdened with the stereotype of being dull, dusty and uninspiring. However, with International Museum Day having been observed on Monday to highlight the role museums play in fostering dialogue, education and cultural exchange, it is worth turning the spotlight on some of India's most unconventional museums – spaces that reveal fascinating slices of human history and imagination.

DREAMS BUILT ON WHEELS

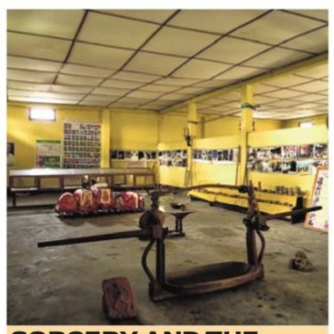
AUTOMOBILE museums are not uncommon, but the Sudha Cars Museum in Hyderabad takes creativity to another level altogether. Founded by automobile enthusiast K Sudhakar Yadav, the museum showcases an extraordinary collection of handmade cars designed in whimsical and unconventional forms. Using scrap materials, Sudhakar transformed childhood fascination into an artistic pursuit. Visitors encounter cars shaped like handbags, stilettos, pens, pencils and even a condom – created to mark World AIDS Day. There are also sidecars modelled after shoes and toilet seats, proving that no object is too ordinary to inspire design innovation. Among the museum's most notable attractions are the world's smallest double-decker bus, capable of seating ten people and a tiny motorbike that reflects the creator's flair for experimentation. Sudhakar's monumental tricycle even earned him a place in the Guinness World Records in 2005. The museum is not merely a tribute to automobiles, but to imagination itself.

THE MUSEUM OF TOILETS

AT first glance, a museum dedicated entirely to toilets may sound bizarre, even humorous. Yet the Sulabh International Museum of Toilets in Delhi proves that even the most ordinary objects can tell extraordinary stories about civilisation. Established in 1992 by social reformer Bindeshwar Pathak, the museum was created to highlight the realities of sanitation and trace the evolution of toilets through the ages. The collection spans over 4,500 years and is categorised into Ancient, Medieval and Modern sections, featuring exhibits from nearly 50 countries. Visitors encounter everything from chamber pots and ornate Victorian toilet seats, to closets dating back to 1145 AD and modern bidets. Some exhibits are amusingly extravagant, including commodes designed to resemble treasure chests and bookcases. Beyond its novelty factor, however, the museum offers valuable insights into public health and sanitation. Detailed displays explain the evolution of sewerage systems and sanitation practices, including references to the Indus Valley Civilisation. What initially appears quirky soon becomes an engaging lesson in human progress and social reform.

THE HUMBLE BROOM AS HERITAGE

IN most households, the broom is an object that is rarely noticed despite being indispensable to daily life. The Arna Jharna Museum of Brooms in Rajasthan changes that perspective entirely. Conceived by noted oral historian Komal Kothari, the museum features hundreds of brooms collected from across Rajasthan. Each broom reflects distinct traditions, craftsmanship and methods of use. Indoor brooms made from soft grasses are treated with care and respect, while sturdier outdoor brooms are designed for public spaces and harsher conditions. What makes the museum remarkable is its ability to elevate an everyday object into a symbol of labour, dignity and craftsmanship. By documenting the stories behind these tools, it reminds visitors that even the simplest aspects of human life carry cultural meaning and historical value.



SORCERY AND THE SUPERNATURAL

IN the village of Mayong, Assam, tales of the occult are woven into local history and identity. Folklore speaks of armies mysteriously disappearing in the 14th century and individuals allegedly vanishing or transforming into animals. Historic references also contribute to the intrigue. Often referred to as the 'Black Magic Capital of India,' the village is home to the Mayong Central Museum, which documents these mystical practices. The museum houses ancient manuscripts, ritual objects, skulls and artefacts believed to have been used in occult ceremonies and human sacrifices. Live demonstrations of tantric practices are also organised for visitors.

BRAINS BEHIND HUMAN BEHAVIOUR

IN an era when irrationality and impulsive decision-making dominate public discourse, a museum dedicated to the brain feels especially relevant. Located in Bengaluru, the Human Brain Museum offers a deeply informative look into the organ that governs thought, memory, and behaviour. The experience begins with preserved specimens of animal brains, before progressing to human brains affected by disorders such as Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's. Specimens from accident victims highlight the consequences of reckless driving, while others demonstrate the effects of infections caused by parasites such as tapeworms and amoebas. One of the museum's unusual features is the opportunity for visitors to touch and feel a preserved human brain.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ASHUTOSH DEEPAK GORE**, S/o Deepak Keshav Gore, aged about 49 years, residing at No. D-605, Bren Celestia, Sarjapura Road, Behind Reliance Digital Kaikondrahalli, Bengaluru-560035, do hereby declare that both the names of my daughter i.e. **MRIGANKA GORE** and **MRIGANKA ASHUTOSH GORE** henceforth she shall be known and called as **MRIGANKA GORE** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 12/05/2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **Dr. R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, The Undersigned **MR. MANJUNATH KEMPEGOWDA,** R/at No.26, 3rd Cross road, Muneshwaranagara Kerekodi, Hosakerahalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MR MANJUNATHA KEMPEGOWDA** to **MANJUNATH KEMPEGOWDA** henceforth I shall be known and called as **MANJUNATH KEMPEGOWDA** vide affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **AMBRESHAPPA** at Bangalore.

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I, Sai Prasad S/O Adi Babu. T. K residing at No. 49/B K C Krishna Reddy Layout, Behind Sappalamma Temple, Margondanahalli, Krishnarajapuram, Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560036. hereby declare that my names **Sai Prasad Thatikonda Adi Babu, Sai Prasad, Sai Prasad T. A** all names belongs to me only. Hence forth I shall be known and called as **Sai Prasad** only for all legal purposes, Vide Affidavit dated 14/5/2026 sworn before Notary Sri. Uday Kumar K, Bengaluru.-560024

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I, **Mr. SANKETH S** W/o. RASHMI H V, resident of No. 34, 1st Main, 8th Cross, Maruthi Nagar, Bengaluru-560064, do hereby declare that I have changed my minor son name from **APRAMEYA S BHATT (APRAMEYA SANKETH BHATT)** to **APRAMEY S BHAT (APRAMEY SANKETH BHAT),** vide affidavit dated 18.05.2025, sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

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I, **R SWETHA REDDY** (Old name), resident at No 425 Anurama, 2nd B Cross, OMBR layout, Pilla Reddy Nagar, Bhuvanagiri Banaswadi, Bangalore - 560043. have changed my name to **SUCHITHA R REDDY** (New name) vide affidavit dated: 11/2/2026 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RABBONI JOHN CRUZ DIVAKARAN,** Aged about 21 years, So. CRUZ DIVAKARAN, residing at No 41, 3rd Cross, OMBR Layout, Chickka Banaswadi Bengaluru, Karnataka 560043, hereby declare that **RABBONI JOHN, and RABBONI JOHN CRUZ DIVAKARAN** both the names belong to one and the same person i.e., and continue my name in future as **RABBONI JOHN CRUZ DIVAKARAN** Vide Affidavit dated 16/05/2026 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar .K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MOHAMMED TAHIR SALEEM. P. A, S/o Mohammed Azhar. P, R/at No.11, K.P. Lane, Jolly Mohalla, Ckickpet, Bangalore -560053, hereby declare that my name MOHAMMED TAHIR SALEEM.P. A and MOHAMMED TAHIR are belongs to me only. Henceforth I shall be known and called as MOHAMMED TAHIR SALEEM. P. A. for all legal purposes, vide affidavit dated 15/05/2026 sworn before Notary S. Prasanna Kumar, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, the Undersigned **THYAGAMURTHY K P,** S/o Puttaswamy, aged about 54 years, R/at of No. 182, SMV layout, 9th Block Further Extension, Mallathahalli, Bangalore-560056 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PUTTASWAMY KODIHALLI RAJAPPA** to **THYAGAMURTHY K P** henceforth I shall be known and called as **THYAGAMURTHY K P** vide affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.N. NAGESHA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ASHA LATA BHAT (Old Name), aged about MAJOR years, W/o. VIJAY SHAMBHU BHAT, RESIDING AT NO. 216/2, SNEHA KUNJ, LAUGHING WATER, R.G.HALLI, VARTHUR MAIN ROAD, WHITEFILED POST, BENGALURU-560066, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **ASHA LATA BHAT** (Old Name) to **ASHA VIJAY BHAT** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **ASHA VIJAY BHAT** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 18/05/2026 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME

I , GANGARAJU C H S/o. Helave Gowda. C K, Aged about 43 years, residing at No.153, (100), 4th Cross, Madakarinayaka Road, Lakshmipura, Gavipuram Extension, Bangalore -560019, I have changed my minor Son's name from **POORVIK.G** to **POORVIK KALYAN G.** vide affidavit dated 17.05.2026 sworn to before Advocate & notary L.PUTTARAJU, Bangalore, and hereafter, I shall be called and known as **POORVIK KALYAN G**.

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I, **SAMHITA SUJAY**, aged about 24 years, No. 04, 6th Cross, Gummaiah Layout, Chikkalasandra Main Road, Bengaluru-560061, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AMISHA RAVINDRA HULI** to **SAMHITA SUJAY,** vide affidavit dated 15.05.2026, sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

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I, **VIJAYAKUMAR** (Old Name), S/o. **PRABHUSWAMY N,** residing at NO. 47/1 BELAVADI TWOL ROOM, YELACHENAHALLI, BENGALURU- 560078. have changed my name to **VIJAYAKUMAR N P** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 18/5/2026 Before Notary **G R RAJANNA** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RABBI IMMANUEL CRUZ DIVAKARAN,** Aged about 23 years, S/o. CRUZ DIVAKARAN, residing at No 41, 3rd Cross,OMBR Layout, Chickka Banaswadi Bengaluru, Karnataka 560043, hereby declare that **RABBI IMMANUEL, and RABBI IMMANUEL CRUZ DIVAKARAN** both the names belong to one and the same person i.e., and continue my name in future as **RABBI IMMANUEL CRUZ DIVAKARAN** Vide Affidavit dated 16/05/2026 sworn before Advocate & Notary Uday Kumar .K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUNITHA B.K** (Old name) W/o Mr. S.G. Lokesh, aged about 59 years, R/at No.C-15/4, D.R.D.O. Township Phase-1, C.V. Raman Nagar, Bangalore - 560093, have changed my name as **B.K. SUNITHA LOKESH** (New name) for all purposes, vide Affidavit dated 09.05.2026, sworn before Notary A.R. Muneer Ahmed, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, the Undersigned **SHREENIVAS N BADI,** S/o Narayanasa Badi, aged about 46 years, R/at No.G-2, Prashanth Apartments, 5th main, 5th Cross, CPV Block, R.T Nagar Post, Ganganagar Extension, Bangalore-560032,do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHREENIVAS BADI** to **SHREENIVAS N BADI** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHREENIVAS N BADI** vide affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.N. NAGESHA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **TANYA. V. NAIDU,** D/o N. Venugopal Naidu, aged about 19 years, Residing at No. 1312, Vijinapura, Doorvaninagar Post, Bengaluru-560016, do hereby declare that both the names i.e **TANYA V.** and **TANYA V. NAIDU** are one and the same and refers to me only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **S. VENKATASUBBA REDDY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Nasir Pasha**, S/o. Ameer Jan, aged about 54 years, residing at 28th Ward No. 14, 1st Cross, Nalbandwadi Mohalla, Near Masjid, Ramanagara-562159, Bengaluru South District, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Naseer Pasha Ameer Jan** to **Nasir Pasha,** vide affidavit dated 18.05.2026, sworn to before T.V. India, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Ramanagara District.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **AKKALADEVI LAVANYA**, W/o: AKKALADEVI VENKAT RAMANA, address : site-68/1, 401 A V R RESIDENCY, SAPTHAGIRI LAYOUT PHASE-1, 3RD CROSS, CHANNASANDRA, k.Channasandra, Kadugodi, Bengaluru, Karnataka, 560067, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ADEPU LAVANYA** to **AKKALADEVI LAVANYA,** vide affidavit dated 18.05.2026, sworn to before M Radhamma, Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, CHETAN NANAWATE FATHER OF AADHYA Residing at B-102, 1st Floor, Elegant Altima Apts, Gubbalala Main Road, Near Anjaneya Swami Temple, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru-560061, Karnataka, India, have changed my daughter's name from AADHYA to AADHYA C N, vide affidavit dated 18-05-2026 sworn before notary S.N Madhu, Reg. No.10108, Bangalore,

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRASHANT PATHAK, aged about 47 years, S/o ATUL PATHAK, residing at No. 1708, 17th A Main Road, 8th Cross, JP Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-560078 560043, hereby declare that my son's name **KEVIN PATHAK and KEVIN PRASHANT PATHAK** both the names belong to one and the same person i.e., and continue my son's name in future as **KEVIN PATHAK** Vide Affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate & Notary Mohammed Hussain .K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PUJA SHEKHAR SHETTY,** aged about 30 years, W/o Vysagh Sasindran, R/at Flat No.202, Sai Dwarkamai Building No.564/3G, Nallurahalli main road, White field, Bangalore-560066, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHETTY PUJA SHEKAR** to **PUJA SHEKHAR SHETTY** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PUJA SHEKHAR SHETTY** vide affidavit dated 14/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **YANKOBA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **HEMANAND HEMACHANDRAN,** S/o V V HEMACHANDRAAN, aged about 49 years, R/o No.75, Shriram Malhar, 5th B Cross, Ittangur Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal taluk, Bangalore-562125, do hereby declare that I have changed my Daughter's name from **NANDANA** to **NANDANA HEMANAND** vide affidavit dated 14/02/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **ROOPA G BHANDARE** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PRANEETH SHETTY,** aged about 33 years, S/o Mahabala G, R/at 1-66, Mel Dyasa Mane, Kodladi Kundapura Taluk, Kodladi Village, Kodladi, Udupi Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PRANEETH KUMAR K** to **PRANEETH SHETTY** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PRANEETH SHETTY** vide affidavit dated 14/05/2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **PUTTARAMAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Syed Ataulla,** S/o. Syed Samiulla, aged about 56 years, residing at # 1703-1, 29th Ward 1st Cross, Ijoor, Behind K.S.R.T.C, Bus-Stand, Ramanagara-562159, Bengaluru South District, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Syed Attaulla** to **Syed Ataulla,** affidavit dated 18.05.2026, sworn to before T.V. India, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Ramanagara District.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KISHORGOWDA N** (Old Name), S/o. **M NAGESH,** residing at No. 278, 8th Cross, Balaji Layout, Vajarahalli, Thalagattapura Post, Bengaluru - 560109 have changed my name to **KISHORE GOWDA N** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 18/5/2026 Before Notary **G R RAJANNA** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, SANIYA MOHAMMED HAFIES KHAN, D/o. Sayed Nayeem, aged about 31 years, residing at #IB/630, 1st Floor, L S Naik Flat, Vanashree Nagar, Dandeli (Rural), Uttara Kannada, Karnataka- 581325, I state that the names **SANIYA MOHAMMED HAFIES KHAN** and **SANIYA SAYED NAYEEM**, both the names refer to one and the same person, namely myself. I further state that I shall be known and identified as **SANIYA SAYED NAYEEM,** vide affidavit dated 11.05.2026 sworn before notary B M Chandrashekar, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRASHANT PATHAK, aged about 47 years, S/o ATUL PATHAK, residing at No. 1708, 17th A Main Road, 8th Cross, JP Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-560078 560043, hereby declare that my son's name **NEIL PATHAK and NEIL PRASHANT PATHAK** both the names belong to one and the same person i.e., and continue my son's name in future as **NEIL PATHAK** Vide Affidavit dated 18/05/2026 sworn before Advocate & Notary Mohammed Hussain .K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHALINI GOPAL KRISHNA, aged about 40 years, D/o Sri Gopal Krishna vellore Loghanathan, W/o Sri. Shashank Murthy Narayana Sriram, R/at No. 742, 5th Main, 2nd A Cross, HRBR layout, Kammanahalli, St Thomas Town Post, bangalore-560084, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHALINI GOPAL** to **SHALINI GOPAL KRISHNA** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHALINI GOPAL KRISHNA** vide affidavit dated 16-05-2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **Y.R. CHANDRASEKAR** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, the Undersigned **PRABHAKAR .S,** aged about 48 years, S/o Mr. Byaranna Siddappa B, R/at No.19, Venkataramu layout, behind Thurahalli Government School, Thurahalli, Bangalore-560061, do hereby declare that I have changed my minor son's name from **PRAJWAL H.P** to **VIBHISH RANJAN H.P** henceforth he shall be known and called as **VIBHISH RANJAN H.P** vide affidavit dated 18-05-2026 sworn before Advocate and Notary **ARAVIND PATIL G.G** at Bangalore.

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SEPTEMBER 21 IS A DO-OR-DIE MOMENT FOR ME: KAREN KSHITI SUVARNA

After premiering at the Marché du Film during the 79th Festival de Cannes, director Karen Kshiti Suvarna speaks about *September 21*, her emotionally driven drama, starring Priyanka Upendra

Karen Kshiti Suvarna

A SHARADHAA

FOR most filmmakers, Cannes remains a distant dream. But for 22-year-old Karen Kshiti Suvarna, that dream arrived early.

This year, Karen attended the 79th Festival de Cannes, not as a student observer, but as a director with her debut feature, September 21, screened at the Marché du Film. Standing beside Priyanka Upendra, the young filmmaker watched audiences from across the world engage with a story rooted in Alzheimer's disease.

Produced by Visica Films and HumaraMovie, *September 21* follows a caregiver struggling to support a man living with Alzheimer's disease, as memory loss and disorientation slowly reshape their everyday lives. The film explores the emotional toll the condition takes on both patients and families.

Now, after drawing attention on the international stage, the film is preparing for its theatrical release on May 22. Recalling her Cannes experience, Karen says the first few days felt surreal. "I was just admiring everything around me. I wanted to watch films and understand the atmosphere. But when I finally saw our film screened there, I realised how big a deal it really was."

What moved her most was the audience response. "Nearly twenty per cent of the people who attended the premiere told me they had someone in their family suffering from Alzheimer's," she says, adding, "That's when I realised the film had connected beyond language or geography."

Karen says she had always envisioned the project for the festival circuit. "Cannes was somewhere in my head while making the film," she says. "At my age, I never thought I would actually make it there." However, Karen assures that she didn't want to make the film inaccessible either. "I didn't want to make an 'art-art' film or a completely commercial one," she says. "I wanted it to be a bridge film, something engaging, but with a message."

A still from the film

The story's emotional core came from writer Raj Shekhar's personal experiences, which immediately resonated with Karen. "When he told me it was his own story, I felt it had the depth for a feature film," she says. "I wanted audiences to feel like, 'This is my story being told on screen."

Before directing the film, Karen visited care centers and spoke with caregivers to better understand the realities of Alzheimer's disease for patients and their families. "It was a sensitive subject, and I wanted to handle it with maturity," she says, adding, "People around me were unsure whether someone my age could take on a film like this. So I first had to convince myself emotionally before convincing others."

That conviction extended to the casting, particularly Priyanka Upendra, who steps away from her glamorous screen image to play Kamala, a domestic worker. "For a first-time director, even approaching Priyanka ma'am felt huge," Karen admits. "I honestly thought she would say no." Instead, the actor embraced the role wholeheartedly. "She crossed boundaries for this character, and toned herself down completely, to become Kamala. In the film, you don't see Priyanka Upendra, you only see the character." Karen says actor Pravin Singh Sisodia, who plays the patient, was equally moved during narration sessions. "He immediately said yes after hearing the story, and the actors treated this film like their own," says the filmmaker.

Priyanka Upendra

The ensemble cast also includes Amit Behl, Sachin Dilip Patekar, Muni, Vinnie R, Anita, Ricky Rudra, Ajit Shidaye and Zarina Wahab.

Interestingly, Karen's age became a talking point on set. "People used to say that I was the first director they had seen drinking milk on set," she laughs. "I avoid coffee and rely on milk for energy."

But once filming began, she says the focus stayed entirely on the work. "For me, this first film itself is a do-or-die moment."

The film will be released in Hindi and Kannada through First Film Studios. While Cannes already marks a milestone, Karen says she is only getting started. "I always want to tell stories that resonate with people," she says. "Even if I do something commercial in the future, relatability will always matter to me."

Now, as *September 21* prepares to meet audiences in theatres on May 22, nervousness has naturally set in. "I've heard reactions from crews, critics, actors, even caregivers," Karen says. "But I'm most interested in what audiences feel. At the end of the day, the audience is the real target."

Signing off by revealing the genre she most enjoys watching, Karen says, "I actually enjoy thrillers. I love last-minute twists. I like surprising people."

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- Karen Kshiti Suvarna, director

Every actor is a stakeholder in our film: Aravind Kaushik

EXPRESS FEATURES

IN a scenario dominated by pan-India spectacles and oversized budgets, filmmaker Aravind Kaushik is building a rowdy universe with something far more unusual: eccentric character names, raw talent, and a shoestring budget.

The director has wrapped shooting for *Country Made-Part 2*, a rustic action drama rooted in rowdy culture and set in the fictional village of Pendalapura. Interestingly, Aravind Kaushik is releasing the sequel first, placing audiences in the 2024–25 timeline before tracing the story's origins in Country Made Part 1.

But beyond the blood, folklore, and village politics, it is the film's wildly memorable character names that instantly grab attention.

Aravind Kaushik says the film explores the human cost of violence and rivalry. "When men wage their bloody wars, it is the women who carry the scars," he points out.

Kaushik plays Bombay Bunty, in the film, which is populated with colourful personalities named Joker Jaani, Poison Ravi, Panche Prasad, Majige, Milky, and Kaajal.

The director turns quirky names into rowdy legends in his upcoming film, Country Made-Part 2

The quirky naming style reflects the rooted, eccentric flavour of the world where every character carries an identity as loud as their reputation.

"Every character has a story and presence. We don't have a single hero in this film. Every actor is a stakeholder in the cinema," says Aravind Kaushik.

The film introduces a mostly fresh ensemble featuring Abhilash Dwarakish, Raghav Ram, Pradeep Roshan, Kuldeepak, Gaurav Aryan, Sujit Shetty, Ashwita Gowda, Apoorva Shri, Sudha Prasanna, and Renuka.

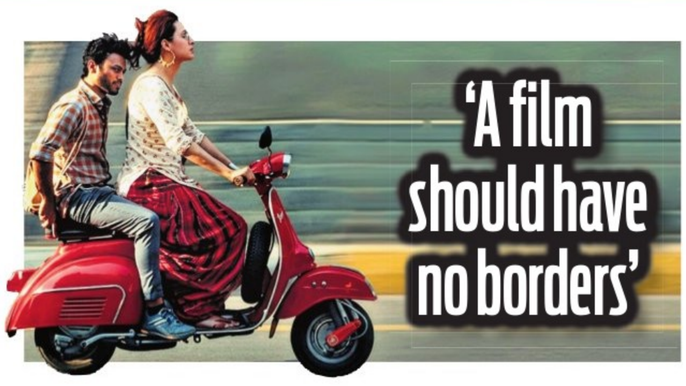
"They may not be stars, but they are good actors. Today, everyone talks about scale and budgets. With Country Made, I want to prove that cinema can still work with honesty, intensity, and strong performances. We may not have luxury, but we have talent," he adds.

Produced by Umesh Mahapati, Surya, Aravind Kaushik, and Chandan Gowda, the film has cinematography by Surya, and music by Arjun Ramu.

Aravind Kaushik

'A film should have no borders'

NAMRATA JOSHI



BORN in Hyderabad and raised in California, Apoorva Guru Charan started her career as a digital producer in Singapore and is now based in Los Angeles. With several award-winning shorts behind her as a producer, she made her feature film debut as a producer with Saim Sadiq's *Joyland*, which premiered in Un Certain Regard at the Cannes Film Festival (2022) and won the section's Jury Prize as well as the Queer Palm. Her second production, Liz Sargent's *Take Me Home*, premiered in the US Dramatic section at the Sundance Film Festival earlier this year, taking home the Waldo Salt Screenwriting Award for Sargent, with Apoorva herself bagging the Sundance Institute Producers Award for Fiction.

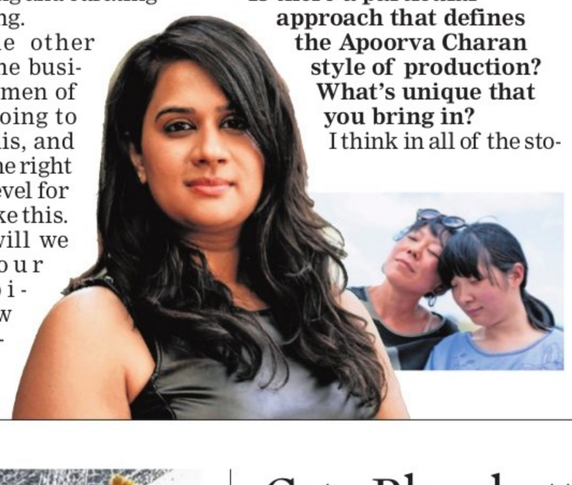
In this exclusive conversation with CE, Apoorva speaks about the art, craft, and business of film production

Excerpts:

What made you choose film production?

Perhaps it's a little bit of the business background, but actually, being a producer is like being a serial entrepreneur and being an artist at the same time. I think you have to have a deep understanding of the arts and of several different crafts. You have to understand the screenwriting process and be able to guide the screenwriter to do their best work. You have to understand the directing process, provide feedback on shots, performances, or on framing and blocking. We're like curators. If the director's the artist, we're there fine-tuning and curating everything.

On the other side is the business acumen of who is going to watch this, and what is the right budget level for us to make this. Where will we find our champions? How do we position it? Having done two first features now, I think it's also about how we launch this filmmaker into the world. What are the best markets, or what are the best festivals where they're going to get the most attention for their film and for their own careers? How do we get the film to a wider audience?



Is there a particular approach that defines the Apoorva Charan style of production? What's unique that you bring in?

I think in all of the stories we're trying to tell, there is a strong emotional core and there is a moral conscience. We're like vessels to help bring them to the world. Those two are non-negotiables for us. And then we're really thoughtful about the filmmakers that we work with and the craft of it. Is there a really strong voice behind it? Is there somebody who has lived experience who's telling this story from a place of deep authenticity? And does that person then have the craft? Does it show on the page, or how can we help them get us there?

***Take Me Home* drew you in because it's something you've experienced as a kid. *Joyland* would have been a different reality. What kind of inputs could you then provide for it?**

For *Joyland*, it would be a deep understanding of the effects of patriarchy and not being able to live as your honest, true self. Apart from that is the emotionality, which I understood at a core level, which meant that we could advocate for certain creative decisions. A note that we often got when we were in the edit was to cut down on the protagonist Haider's wife Mumtaz's time, because it is exciting to see Haider fall in love with the transwoman Biba.

Keanu Reeves joins voice cast of *Hidari*

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KEANU Reeves has joined the voice cast of a stop-motion animated film titled *Hidari*, helmed by Masashi Kawamura. The director has expanded his proof-of-concept short film into a feature. The viral short film has garnered five million views since it was uploaded in 2023.

The action film is based on the life accounts of legendary Edo-era craftsman Jingoro Hidari, whom Reeves is set to voice. The revenge-driven saga has Jingoro lose everything, including his father figure, fiancee, and even his right arm, at the hands of the traitors while burying the secrets of Edo Castle's reconstruction. With a renewed faith and his carpentry skills, Jingoro creates a series of lethal prosthetic arms to carve his path to justice.

Cate Blanchett, Selena Gomez team up for a new film

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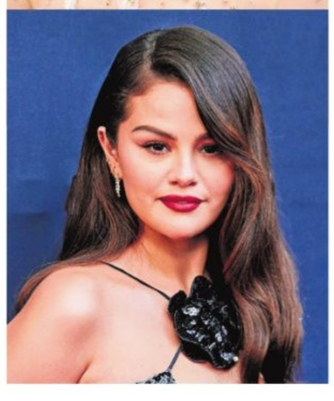

ACTORS Cate Blanchett and Selena Gomez are set to lead Brady Corbet's upcoming film. Expected to be an 'X-rated' epic set in the 70s, the upcoming film also stars Michael Fassbender.

Set to move from the 19th century to the 1970s, the yet-t0-be-titled film marks the fourth entry in Corbet's filmography following *The Childhood of a Leader* (2015), *Vox Lux* (2018), and *The Brutalist* (2024). Oscar-winning actor Blanchett last appeared in Jim Jarmusch's *Father Mother Sister Brother*. Her upcoming projects include *How to Train Your Dragon 2*, *Sweetsick* and *Alpha Gang*, which are in different stages of production. On the other hand, Selena Gomez's last film was *Emilia Perez* in 2024.